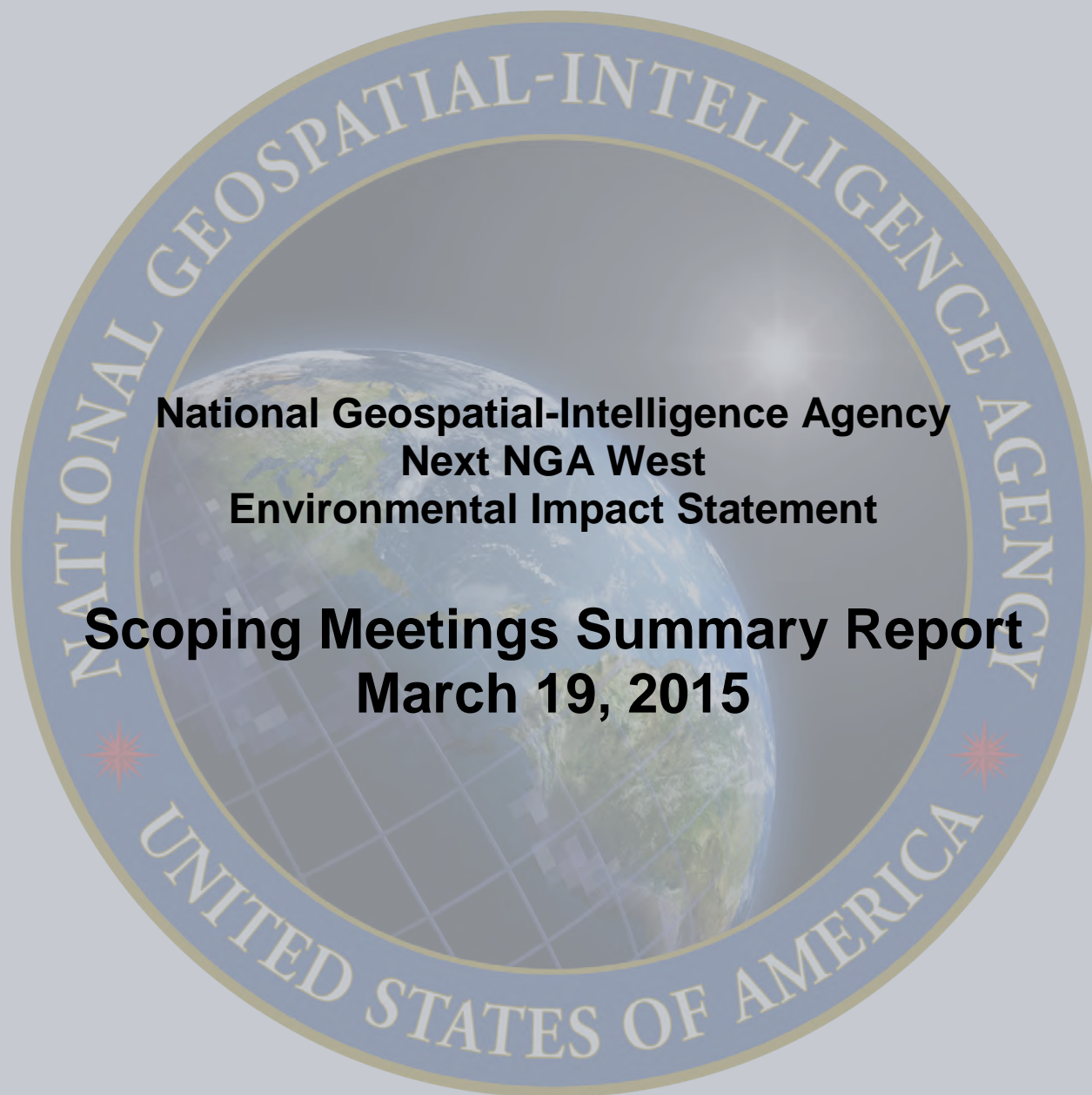


Appendix 1B
NGA Scoping Report



**National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
Next NGA West
Environmental Impact Statement**

**Scoping Meetings Summary Report
March 19, 2015**

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Overview

In 2014, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) announced plans to move from its current West Facilities location, at 3200 South 2nd Street and Arsenal Street in St. Louis, Missouri, to a new campus by 2021. NGA delivers geospatial intelligence that provides a decisive advantage to warfighters, policymakers, intelligence professionals and first responders. Both an intelligence agency and combat support agency, NGA fulfills national security priorities in partnership with the intelligence community and the United States Department of Defense.

NGA and its predecessors have been located in St. Louis since the 1950s, but the current facility is outdated and cannot adequately support NGA's evolving mission. A series of planning studies, including an economic analysis, determined that it would be less costly, quicker and less disruptive to build a new campus than to modernize current facilities. The project to find proposed sites, choose a location, and build a new campus for the St. Louis facilities is called Next NGA West (N2W).

NGA identified six possible locations for a new campus during a year-long real estate study. Four proposed locations remain in consideration, these sites are: Fenton, Mehlville and North St. Louis in Missouri and near Scott Air Force Base in St. Clair County, Illinois. Currently, an environmental study required by the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) is being conducted on the four sites. The Next NGA West Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will evaluate the impacts of a new campus and identify steps to address any negative impacts. The United States Army Corps of Engineers' (USACE) Kansas City District is managing the NEPA process.

The purpose of the EIS is to ensure government decision makers are making informed decisions and disclose environmental concerns to the public. The EIS will help inform government officials and the general public on the following:

- *Purpose and Need – Why are we doing this? Why is it needed?*
- *Proposed Action – What is NGA proposing to do? What are the proposed sites?*
- *Affected Environment – What is the current state of the environment around the proposed sites?*
- *Range of Alternatives – What are the options (proposed sites), including a no-action alternative?*
- *Environmental Consequences – What are the environmental (including socioeconomic) impacts resulting at each site?*

The official scoping period for the NGA EIS was November 10, 2014 – January 19, 2015. This period was the study's first opportunity for public comment. In December 2014, a series of public open houses, or scoping meetings, were hosted to introduce the project and NEPA process, obtain public input on any environmental issues at the sites of which citizens are aware, and solicit initial feedback on a new NGA campus at each proposed site.



Scoping Letters

After the Notice of Intent for the EIS was placed in the Federal Register, 675 scoping letters (**Appendix A**) were sent to stakeholders at the four proposed sites. Stakeholders included: federal, state and local elected officials representing the proposed site areas; community organization representatives; consulting agency representatives; the United States Air Force as a Cooperating Agency; and area business owners within 1/3 mile of the sites. The scoping letters, sent from the USACE Kansas City District, described the purpose of the project and the four proposed sites, and advertised the upcoming public open houses.

Scoping Meetings

Approximately 553 citizens attended the public open houses in December, which were held on December 8-11, 2014 at four locations across the

region. Table 1 below outlines the date, time, location and attendance numbers for each meeting.

Table 1. N2W Scoping Meetings

Date	Location	Time	Attendees
8-Dec 2014	National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) – Employee session only.	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	213
9-Dec 2014	St. Louis Gateway Classic Sports Foundation (North St. Louis)	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	84
10-Dec 2014	Katy Cavins Community Center (St. Clair County)	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	190
11-Dec 2014	Crestwood Community Center (South County)	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	66

Study team members staffed information stations that included nineteen display boards (**Appendix B**).

These informational boards outlined the following:

- Welcome
- Description of the open house
- Project overview
- National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency

- NEPA process
- Study timeline
- Purpose and need
- Selection process
- Fenton site map
- Mehlville site map
- North St. Louis site map
- St. Clair site map
- Environmental impacts
- Public comments and information

Open house attendees received a study fact sheet (**Appendix C**) and Frequently Asked Questions brochure (**Appendix D**) when they signed in at the meetings. They then viewed the display boards, discussed the project with study team members, and had the opportunity to complete a comment form. The information presented and an online comment form were made available on the project website following the open houses.

Scoping Meetings Outreach

Citizens were informed of the open houses via the following means:

- *The public meetings were advertised in five area newspapers before the public meetings: five notices for daily newspapers and twice for weekly newspapers (see **Appendix E**). The newspapers represented readership in the four proposed sites:*
 - *Belleville News-Democrat;*
 - *O'Fallon Progress and Post Command;*
 - *South County Times;*
 - *St. Louis American; and*
 - *St. Louis Post-Dispatch.*
- *A site-specific flyer announcement was mailed to approximately 2985 residents and businesses within 1/3 mile of the proposed sites (**Appendix F**):*
 - *Fenton (257);*
 - *Mehlville (799);*
 - *North St. Louis (1855); and*
 - *St. Clair County (74).*
- *An email advertisement was distributed to the project contact list (**Appendix G**).*
- *A media advisory was distributed and resulted in coverage by multiple St. Louis area and online media outlets prior to the event including:*
 - *St. Louis Post Dispatch;*
 - *KTVI;*
 - *KSDK;*
 - *St. Louis Public Radio; and*
 - *Belleville News-Democrat.*

Stakeholder Outreach

In addition to the public open houses, the study team hosted two consulting agency briefings (Missouri and Illinois), four elected and public officials briefings (one for each proposed site) and two media briefings (Missouri and Illinois). Consulting agencies were contacted via mail and direct phone call by the study team. The following consulting agencies attended the briefings: Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), St. Louis City and St. Louis County in Missouri and Illinois Department of Transportation and Illinois Historic Preservation Agency in Illinois. Only MoDOT left an official comment in which they requested to be included as a reviewing agency. Elected and public officials were invited via mail and contacted for follow-up via email or phone. Members of the media were sent emails a week in advance and a reminder a few days before their briefing.

The briefings included a 10-15 minute presentation by NGA and USACE staff members followed by a question and answer period. Attendees also had time to visit with study team representatives and view the display boards. Consulting agency representatives had an opportunity to hold conversations with subject matter experts. Media representatives were given the opportunity to interview NGA and USACE staff before the public open houses. Table 2 highlights the date, time, location and number of participants at each briefing.

Table 2. N2W Scoping Meetings Briefings

Briefing	Date	Location	Attendees
Consulting Agencies (MO)	9 – Dec 2015	North St. Louis	5
Consulting Agencies (IL)	10 – Dec 2015	St. Clair County	2
Elected and Public Officials (North St. Louis)	9 – Dec 2015	North St. Louis	8
Elected and Public Officials (St. Clair County)	10 – Dec 2015	St. Clair County	38
Elected and Public Officials (Fenton)	11 – Dec 2015	South County	17
Elected and Public Officials (Mehlville)	11 – Dec 2015	South County	4
Media (MO)	9 – Dec 2015	North St. Louis	7
Media (IL)	10 – Dec 2015	St. Clair County	1

Handouts

Upon arrival to the briefings or open houses, attendees were given two handouts: a fact sheet brochure about the N2W project and EIS study and a Frequently Asked Questions brochure to help answer questions about the project, describe the study process and timeline, and provide site maps for reference.

Project Website

The study team created a project website, www.nextNGAwest.com, to allow the public to find out about the N2W project, review the study process, view the site maps and get

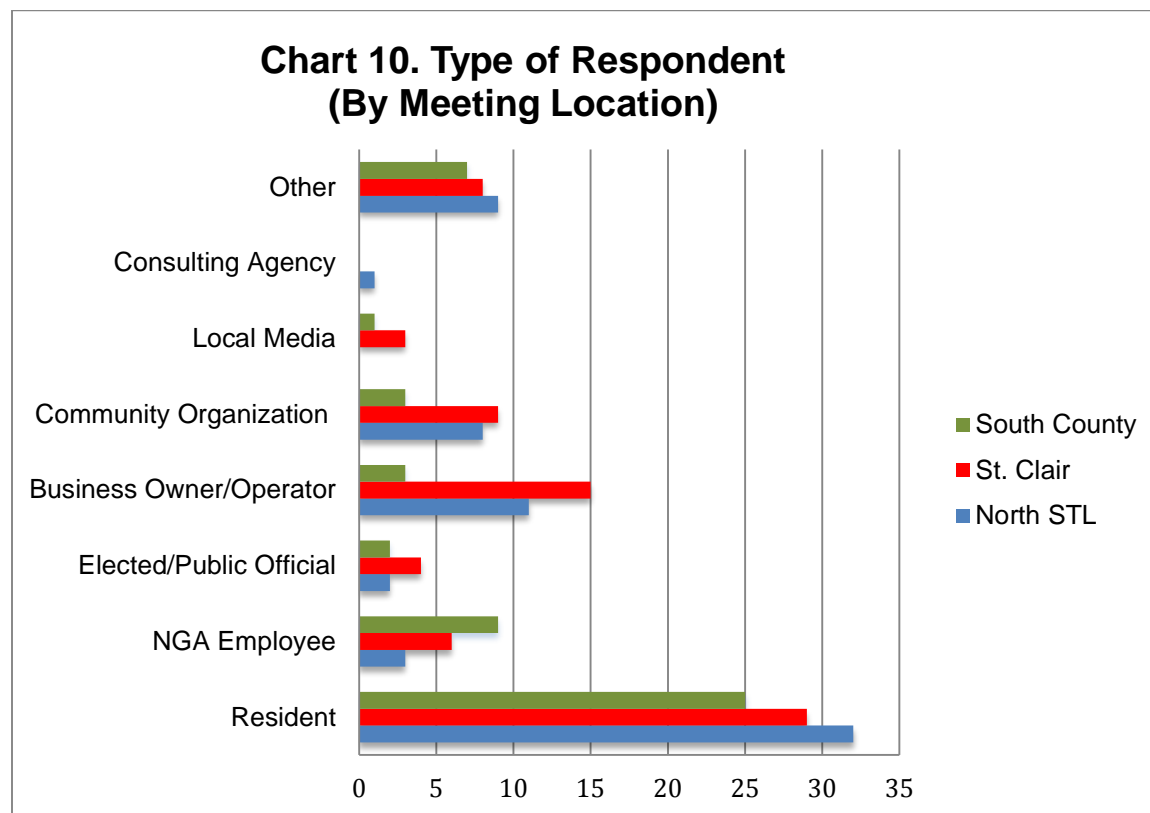
involved through public meetings, email sign-up and an online comment form. The website received 74 online comments during the scoping period.

Comment Forms and Opportunities

A six-question comment form (**Appendix H**) was distributed to each open house attendee. Attendees also had the opportunity to complete an online comment form on provided iPads, or to give their comments to a court reporter. Additionally, the public had an opportunity to complete a comment form on the project website, email their comments, or mail in their comments during the scoping comment period from November 10, 2014 – January 19, 2015. The remainder of this document summarizes public input obtained from the 343 comments received by the study team.

Section 1. Type of Respondents

The third section on the comment form asked open house attendees about their demographic information. The following chart shows how respondents answered the following question: *Which of the following describes you? Respondents could choose more than one option.*



For the North St. Louis, St. Clair County and South County meeting responses, the majority of responders indicated they were residents and/or business owners/operators. North St. Louis had more residents (32) complete comment forms than any other meeting, while St. Clair County had more business owners (15) and community organizational representatives (9) than the other two meetings. In addition, 24 people at

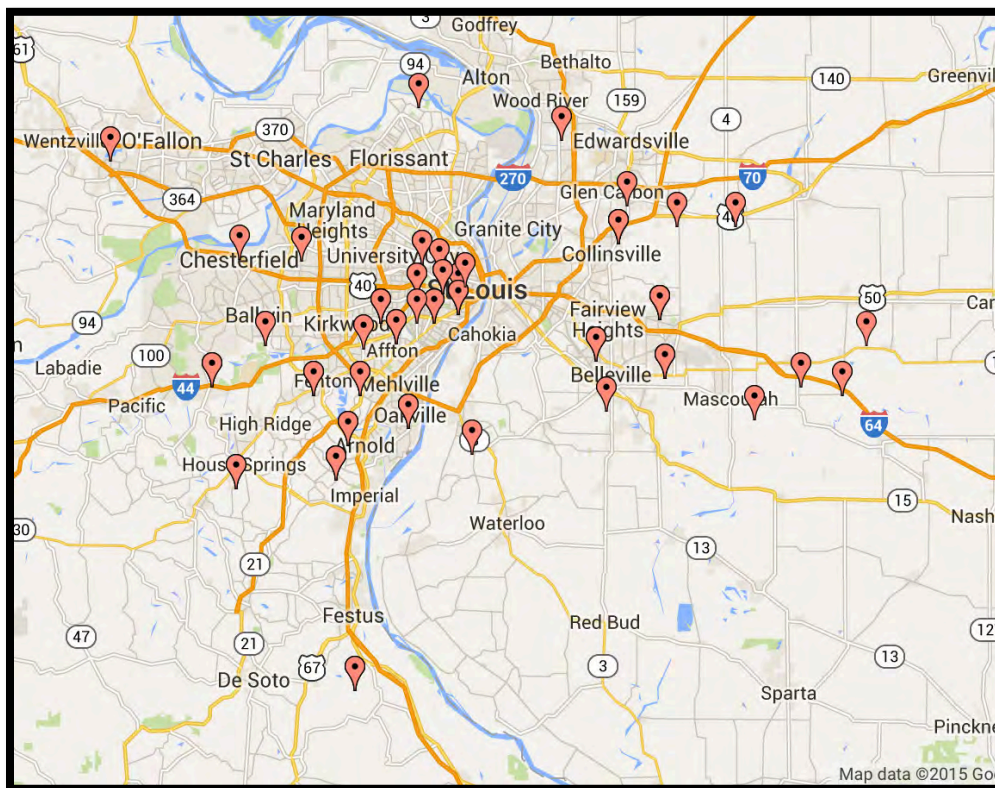
the three meetings chose to identify themselves as “other” which included economic development and planning professionals (3), NGA contractors (3), and retired NGA employees (2).

The respondents who attended the meeting at NGA identified themselves exclusively as residents (24) and NGA employees (97).

Section 2. Contact Information

The first section asked respondents to give their contact information: name, title, organization, address, and email address. The following maps represent geocoded maps for zip codes provided by the respondents.

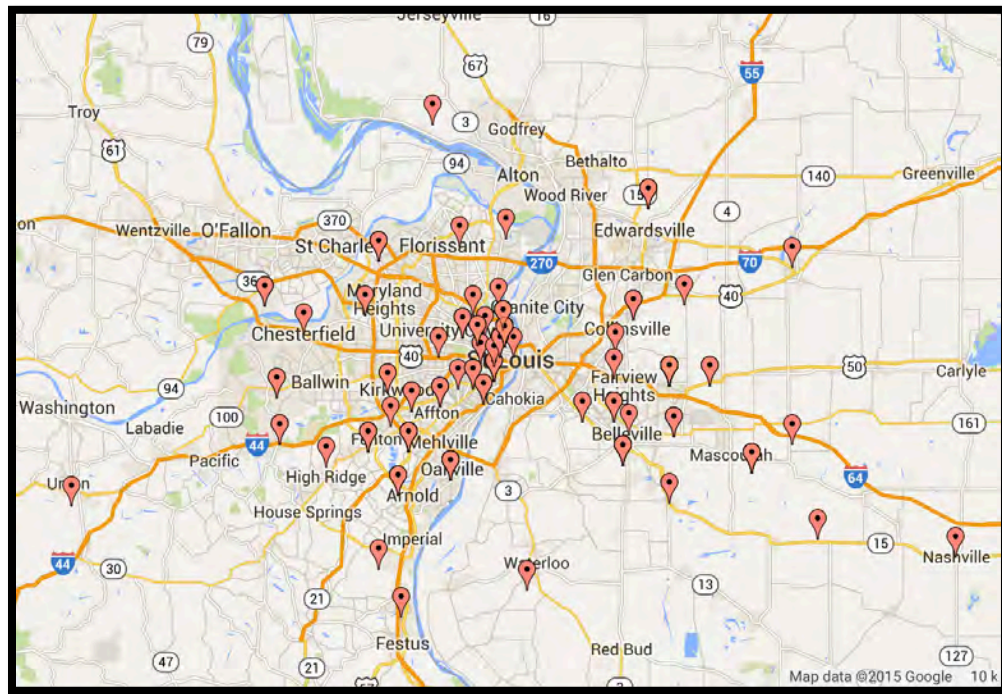
Image 1. Zip Codes of Open House Respondents



Respondents at the NGA open house represented 37 zip codes in Missouri and Illinois.

All other respondents represented 65 zip codes, the vast majority from the St. Louis region in Missouri and Illinois. The top two areas represented were **62269 in O'Fallon, Illinois** (36) and **63106 in North St. Louis** (42).

Image 2. Zip Codes of All Other Respondents



Section 3. Study Concerns and Comments

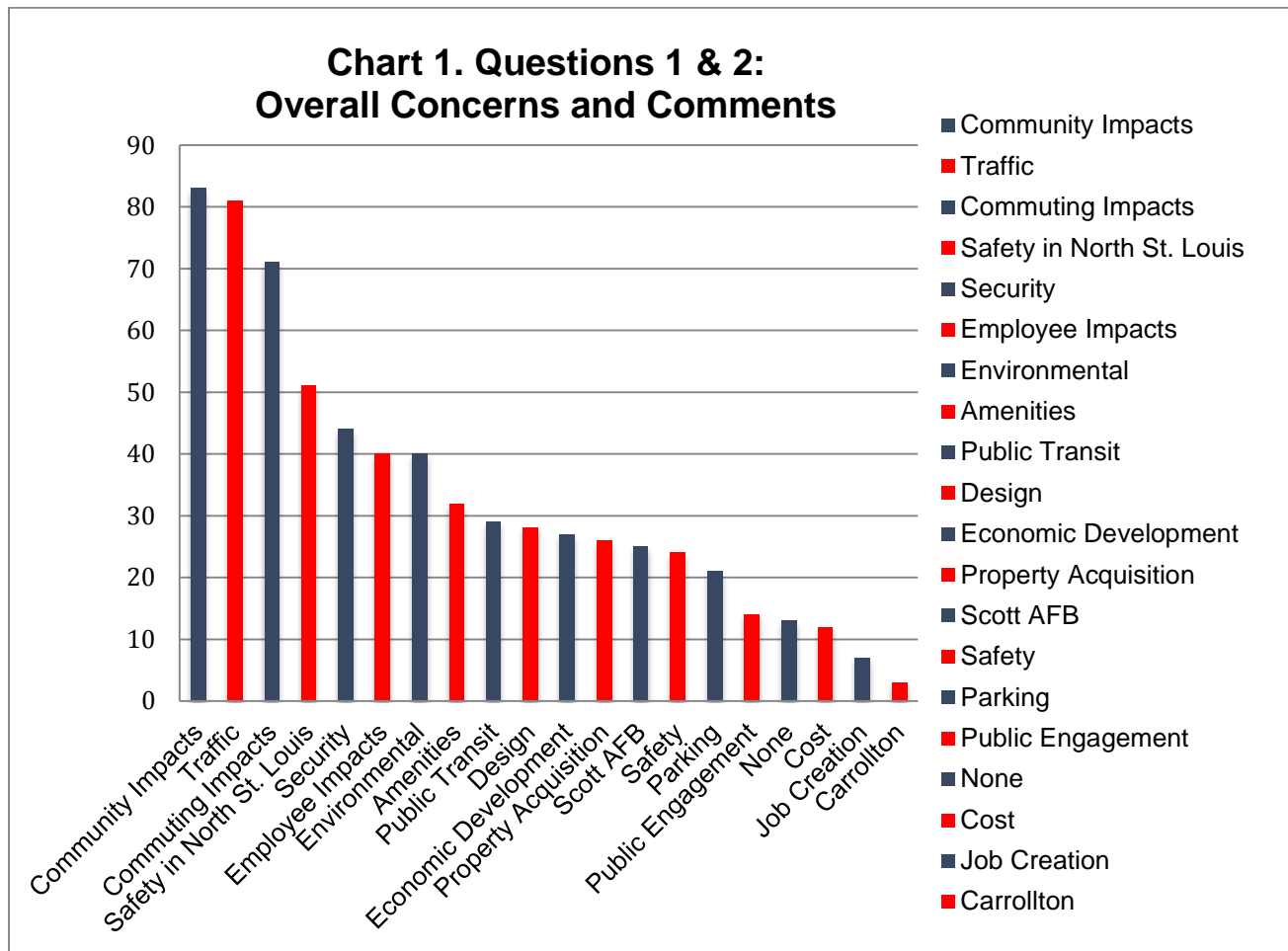
The second section provided respondents with an open-ended question to describe what they thought the EIS should study or concerns they have about the proposed sites. It also provided an opportunity to leave further comments. Respondents gave a range of suggestions for areas of concerns, and their suggestions and trends in responses are highlighted on the next page. The two questions' responses are grouped together because answers tended to overlap in content.

Question 1: Any concerns or interests this study should cover?

Question 2: Further comments?

The top four areas of concern or comments as selected by respondents were categorized as:

- Community impacts (83)
- Traffic (81)
- Commuting Impacts (71)
- Safety in North St. Louis (51)



Community Impacts. Includes concerns over how the new campus would impact the surrounding community, both positively and negatively. This general category included economic impacts such as jobs and tax revenue, as well as socioeconomic impacts to area residents. Respondents expressed both their support for the new campus (jobs, addition to economy) as well as concerns (displacing residents, fitting in with the fabric of the neighborhood, politics). Many respondents expressed a desire for the EIS to address these concerns.

Traffic. Many respondents expressed concerns over how the new campus would impact local traffic around the proposed sites, and what roadway accommodations would need to be made. Respondents showed particular interest in: access to highways, traffic on nearby arterial or major roads, road closures, and creating a safe and accessible route for NGA employees to enter the campus at all hours.

Commuting Impacts. Many respondents showed an interest in how the commute of NGA employees and area residents would be impacted by a move to a particular site. Several respondents suggested a map detailing the location of NGA employees and their anticipated commute to each proposed site.

Safety in North St. Louis. Respondents expressed concern for their safety traveling to and from North St. Louis, and to restaurants and services in the surrounding neighborhood of the North St. Louis proposed site.

Respondents commented on a variety of other topics including:

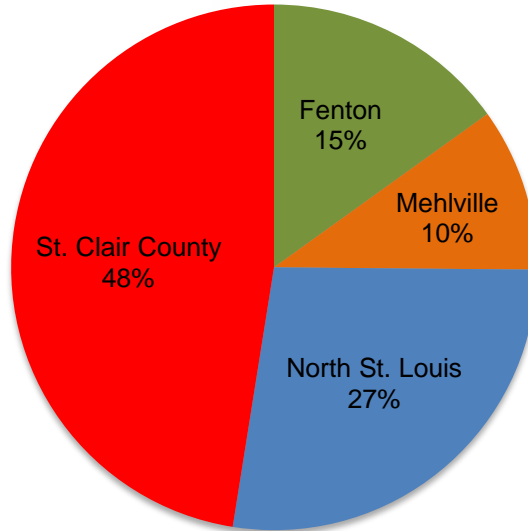
- Security of campus location: airports, highway access, rivers, etc. (44)
- Employee impacts: 1% city tax, mission support, supportive community (40)
- Environmental concerns: Air quality impacts, infill development, sprawl (40)
- Amenities: Restaurants, childcare, area schools, hospitals (32)
- Public transit: Access to public transit at site (29)
- Design of campus: Urban or suburban, fit with neighborhood, security (28)
- Economic development: Will it bring jobs and new development? (27)
- Property acquisition: Concerns about residential displacement (26)
- Scott AFB: Interaction with and support of Scott Air Force Base at St. Clair County site (25)
- Safety: Overall safety of employees in and around proposed sites (24)
- Parking: Concerns about adequate parking for employees and contractors (21)
- Public engagement: Concerns about outreach to area stakeholders (14)
- No concerns (13)
- Cost of new campus (12)
- Job creation for local jobs at new campus (7)
- Carrollton: Consideration of site at Carrollton neighborhood near Lambert International Airport (3)

Supported Site/Unsupported Site. In addition to concerns or comments about study topics, some responses were categorized as supporting or not supporting particular sites, based on answers to Questions 1 and 2. The following charts describe the patterns of preference. Respondents could show support for or against more than one site. Among those who demonstrated support for a proposed site, more respondents preferred the St. Clair County site (48%) followed by North St. Louis (27%). Among those who demonstrated a preference that a site was not chosen, more respondents preferred that North St. Louis (63%) not be the chosen site, followed by St. Clair County (26%).

Common reasons given for supporting or not supporting a site reflected the overall trends in respondents' concerns and comments: community impacts (positive and negative), commuting impacts for employees, property acquisition concerns and safety considerations for North St. Louis.

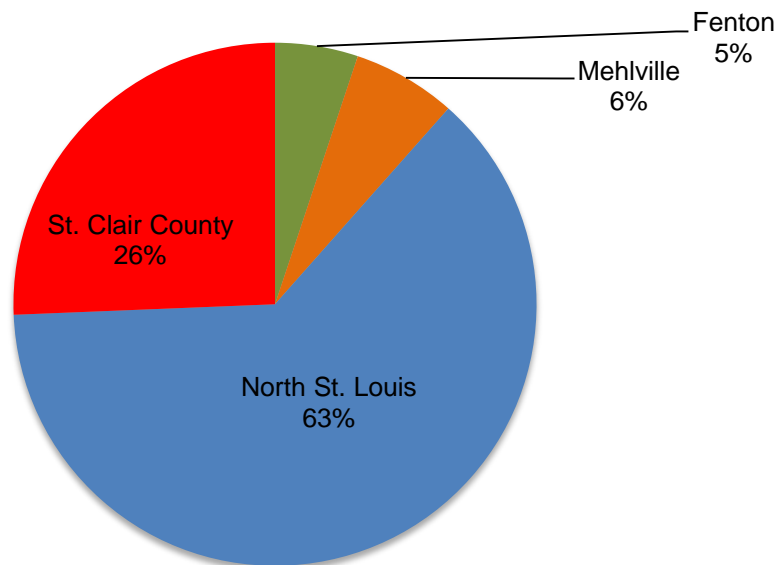
**Chart 2. Respondents' Supported Site
Based on Answers to Q1 and Q2**

Supported Site: All Respondents



**Chart 3. Respondents' Unsupported Site
Based on Answers to Q1 and Q2**

Do Not Support Site: All Respondents



Section 4. Q1 and Q2 Responses According to Meeting Location

In addition to the trends presented by all responses to Questions 1 and 2, different patterns emerged when the responses were sorted according to open house location. These patterns help show what information and concerns are most important to residents, business owners and stakeholders at each location.

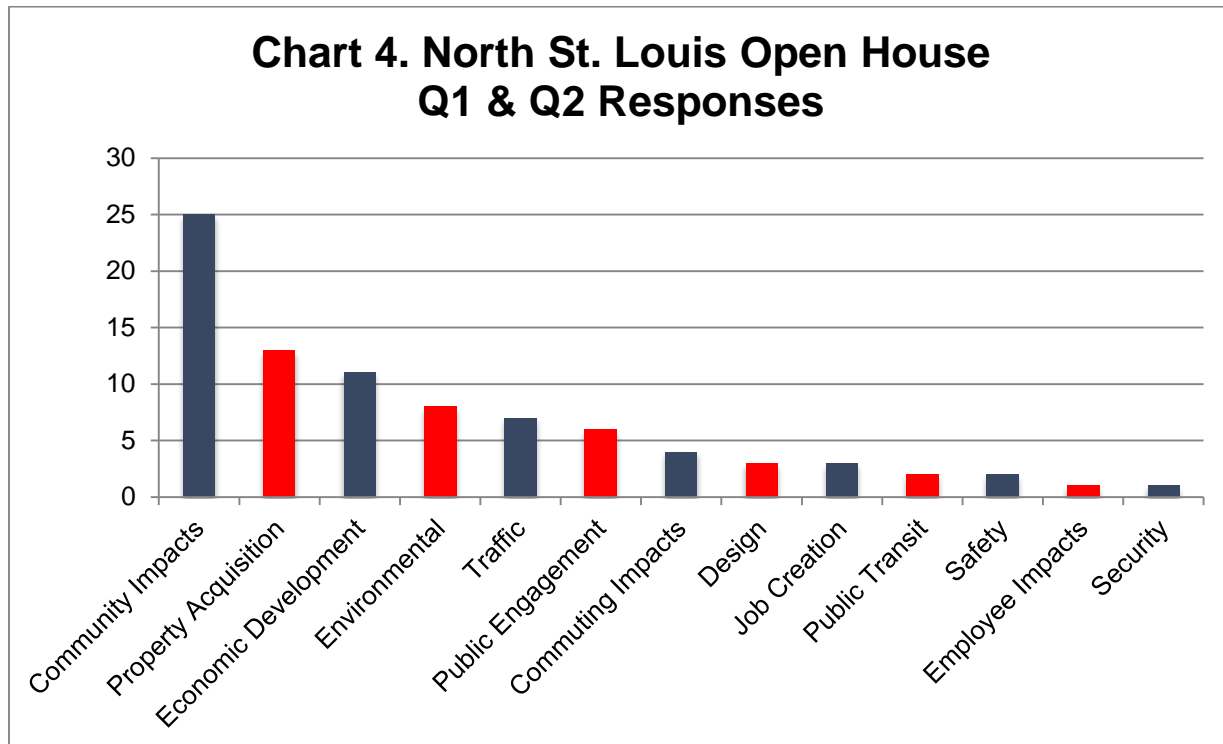


Chart 4 shows the areas of concern and comments for the 34 respondents at the December 9 open house in North St. Louis. The top four areas of concern or comments expressed at the open house were categorized as:

- Commuting impacts (25)
- Property acquisition
- Economic development (11)
- Environmental (8)

Respondents at the North St. Louis open house expressed both concerns and statements of support for the impacts on the community with an NGA campus. Positive impacts included jobs, new development and tax revenue.

Concerns included no local jobs produced by move, displacement of residents and decreased air quality. Many respondents showed concern about what would happen to residents and businesses in the site areas. Some residents supported the move and some were against it and did not want to leave their homes. Respondents expressed frustration about meeting outreach and previous attempts by other entities to redevelop their neighborhood.

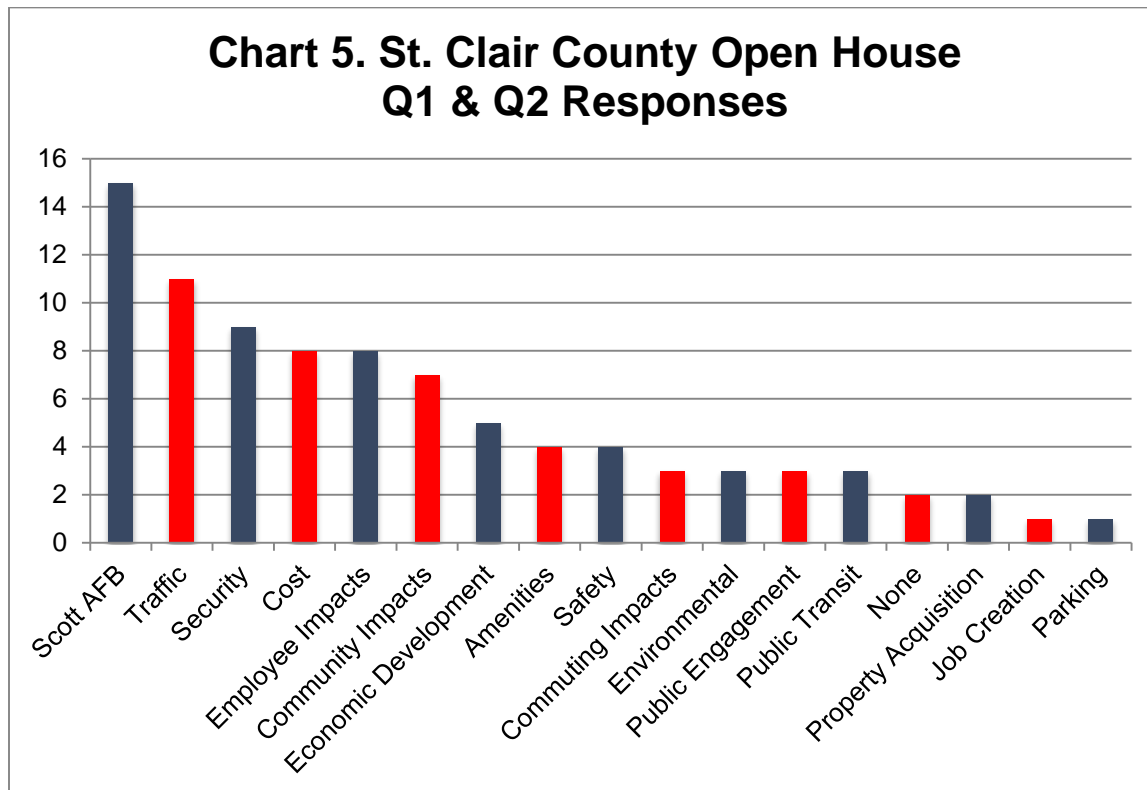


Chart 5 shows the areas of concern and comments for the 46 respondents at the December 10 open house in St. Clair County. The top four areas of concern or comments expressed by open house respondents were:

- Scott Air Force Base (15)
- Traffic (11)
- Security (9)
- Cost (8)

Respondents at the St. Clair County open house talked about the benefits of the proposed site's proximity to Scott Air Force and asked about interaction with the base, including use of base amenities. Respondents also expressed concerns about how increased traffic would impact the area and highway access to the new campus, as well as security concerns regarding nearby I-64, Scott Air Force Base and MidAmerica St. Louis Airport. Finally, respondents commented on the perceived lower construction cost of a St. Clair County campus.

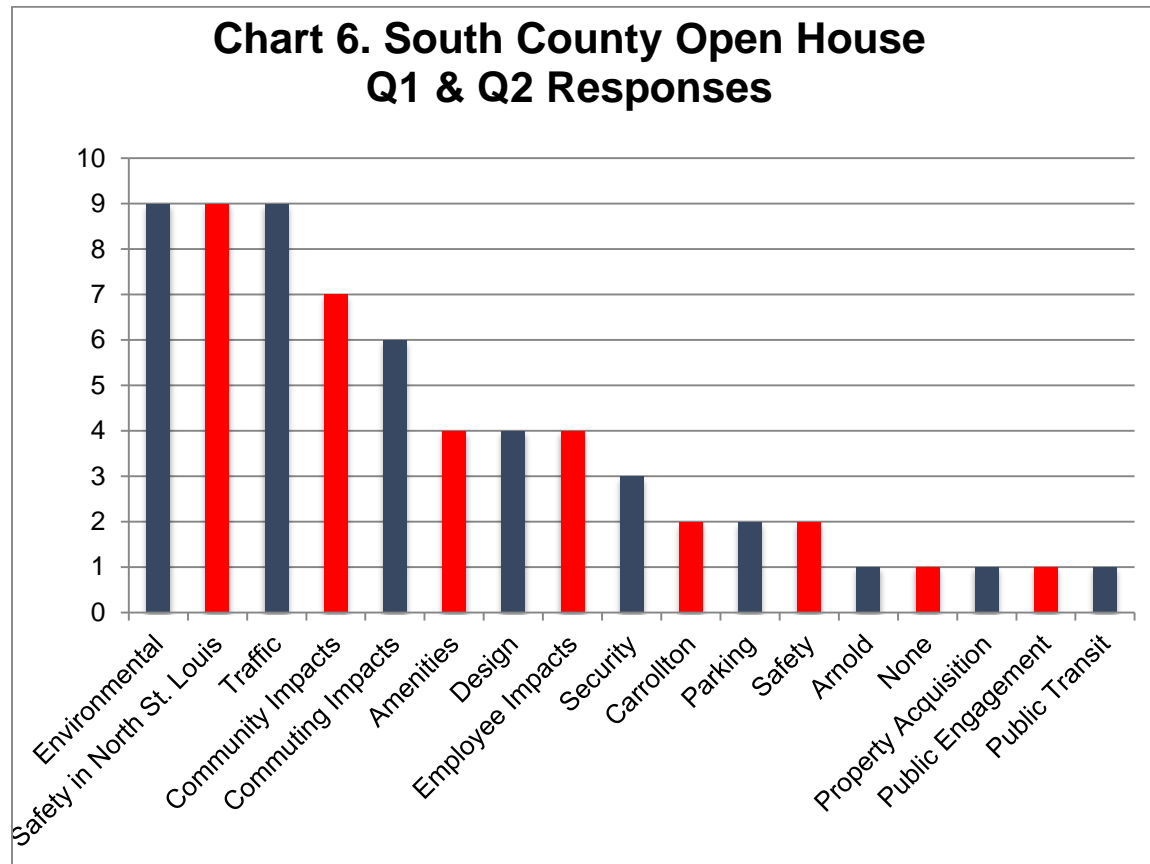


Chart 6 shows the areas of concern and comments for the 35 respondents at the December 11 open house in South St. Louis County. The top four areas of concern or comments expressed by open house respondents were categorized as:

- Environmental (9)
- Safety in North St. Louis (9)
- Traffic (9)
- Community impacts (7)

Respondents at the South St. Louis County open house expressed concerns over the environmental impact of a proposed site in their area, especially contamination from previous land use at the Chrysler plant and flooding concerns for the proposed Fenton site. They also commented on their concern regarding safety in North St. Louis for the

new campus. In addition, they discussed traffic impacts at the Fenton and Mehlville sites, including highway and road access for the new campus and traffic impacts to surrounding roads, especially Tesson Ferry Road and Butler Hill Road near the Mehlville site. Finally, respondents showed support for positive community impacts of the new campus on both sites in South County.

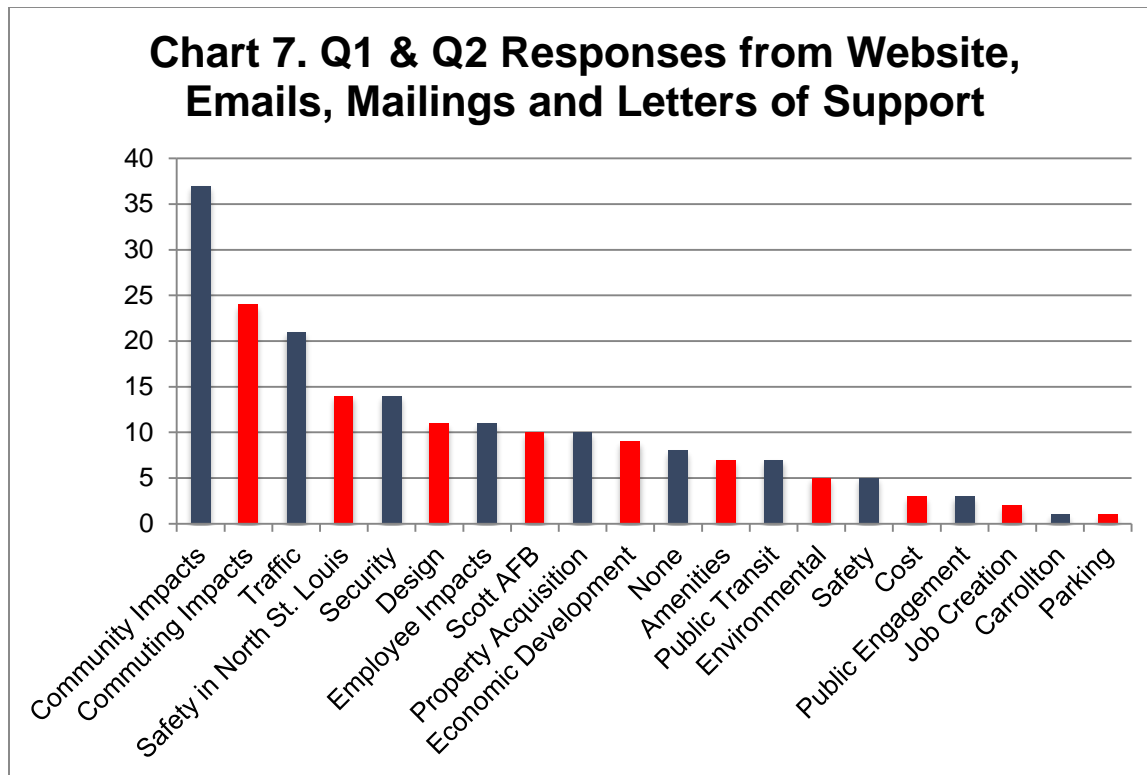


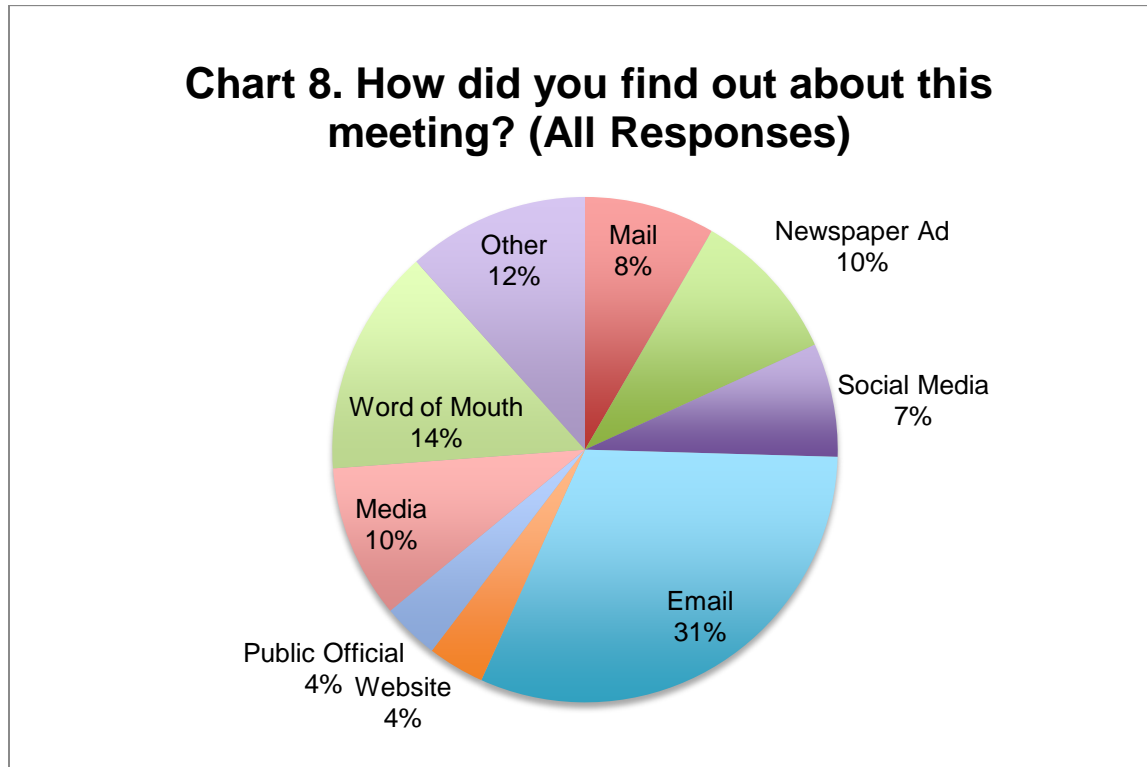
Chart 7 shows the top areas of concern and comments from the 110 emails, mailings letters of support and website comment form submissions. Letters of support were received at the open houses. The top four areas of concern or comments as selected by respondents were:

- Community impacts (37)
- Commuting impacts (24)
- Traffic (21)
- Safety in North St. Louis (21)

Similar to the trends of responses from all comments, the email, mail, letter and website respondents expressed concern about the impact of a new campus at each site, the impact of a new commute on employees, impacts to local traffic and access to the new campus, and the issue of personal safety in North St. Louis.

Section 5. Public Outreach

When asked to indicate all the ways in which they learned about the open house, respondents answered as follows:



At least 106 people in attendance learned about the open house from email blast or social media. Newspaper ads and media informed 54 attendees about the meeting, and 40 heard through word of mouth. Twenty-three (23) people attended in response to a mailing, and 20 found out from a public official or the study website.

Respondents could select the “other” category and provide an alternative means by which they learned about the open house. Some of the most common alternative sources of the 32 respondents who chose “other” included:

- NGA internal website
- NGA directors
- O’Fallon Chamber of Commerce
- Work

Section 6: Most Informative/Least Informative

The fifth and sixth questions on the comment form asked respondents to describe what they found most informative and least informative about the open house. The following charts describe what respondents thought about the open house format and content.

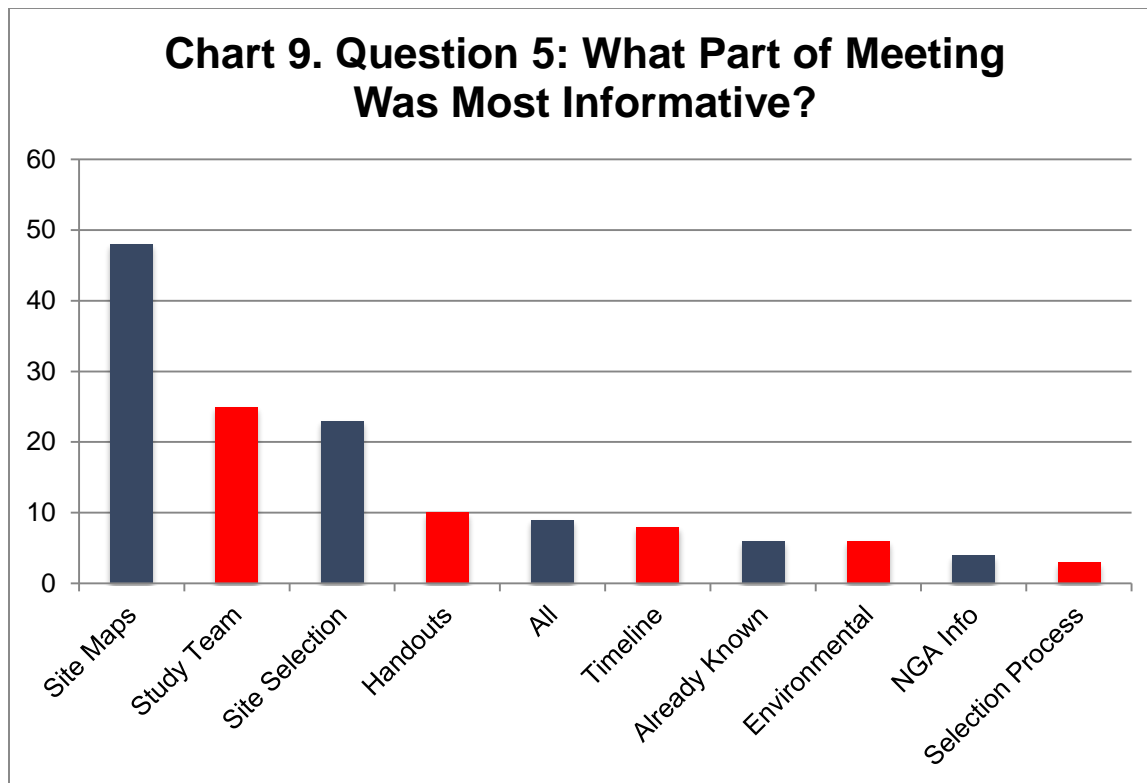


Chart 9 describes what aspects of the open houses respondents found most informative. The top four informative aspects of the meeting were categorized as:

- Site maps - detailed information (48);
- Study team - helpful with questions (25);
 - CH2M HILL (1), NGA (1), Program Managers/Subject Matter Experts (1)
 - Transportation Engineers (3)
- Site Selection - how sites were chosen and evaluated (23); and
- Handouts (10).

Other informative aspects of the meeting, according to respondents, were all of the presented materials (9), timeline (8), information was informative but already known (6), environmental impacts evaluated (6), NGA info (4) and selection process (3) as well as individual answers.

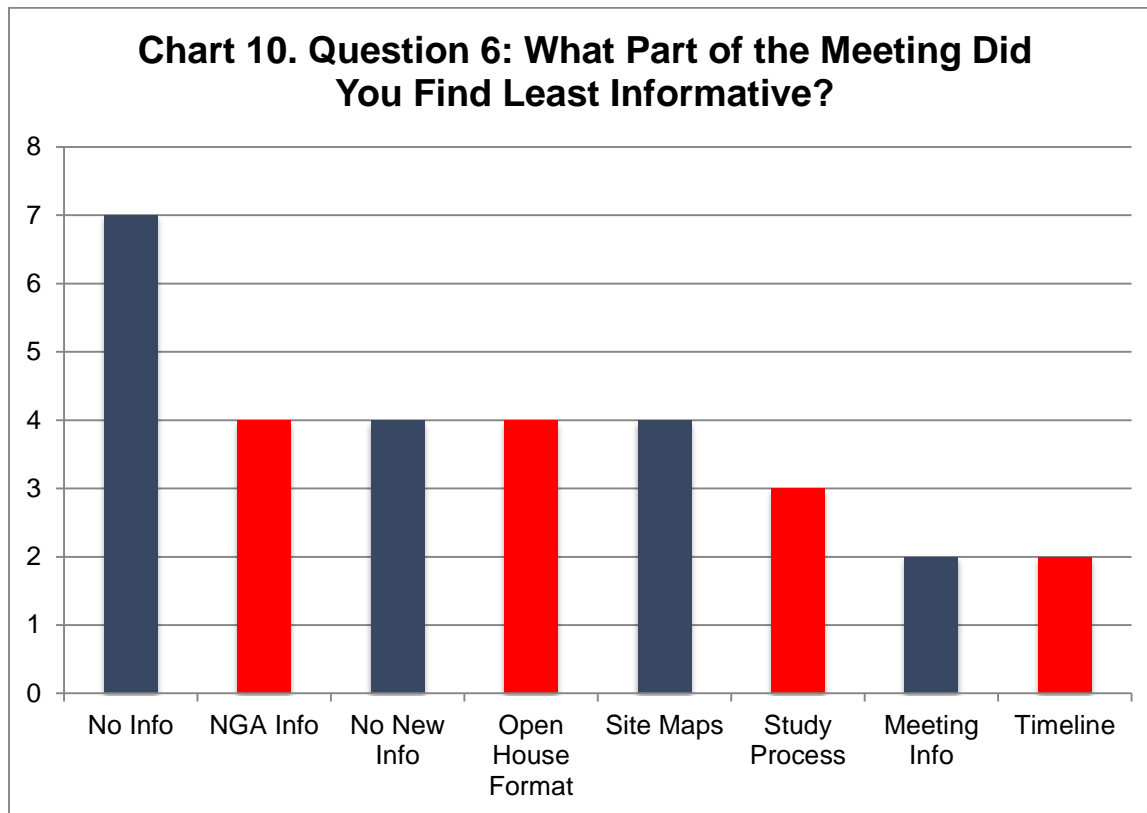


Chart 10 describes what aspects of the open houses that respondents found least informative. The top least informative aspects of the meeting were categorized as:

- No info - costs, economic and environmental Impacts (2), new, planning process, property acquisition, timing of meetings, traffic and infrastructure (7)
- NGA info (4)
- No new info - maps, posters, safety and security (4)
- Open house format - lines, no public presentation (4)
- Site maps - not to scale, already known (4)

Other least informative aspects of the meeting, according to respondents, were information on the study process (3), meeting information (3) and timeline (2) as well as individual answers.

Additional Outreach to North St. Louis

After the first scoping meeting in North St. Louis, it was brought to the study team's attention that many residents had not heard about the meeting. To help better inform local stakeholders, and thus the EIS study, two additional community meetings were held in North St. Louis at the St. Louis Gateway Classic Sports Foundation on December 18, 2014 and January 14, 2015. Stakeholders and active area residents were invited for a small meeting on December 18, 2014. Residents and businesses within 1/3 mile of the proposed North St. Louis site received a mailing with a flyer (**Appendix I**), with information about the January 14, 2015 community meeting.

The first meeting had 12 attendees; the second was a larger open house with 42 attendees. Both meetings allowed attendees to learn more about the N2W project and EIS study, view the display boards, ask questions to the study team, and give comments for the scoping report. The same information that was presented at the scoping meetings was presented at these meetings.

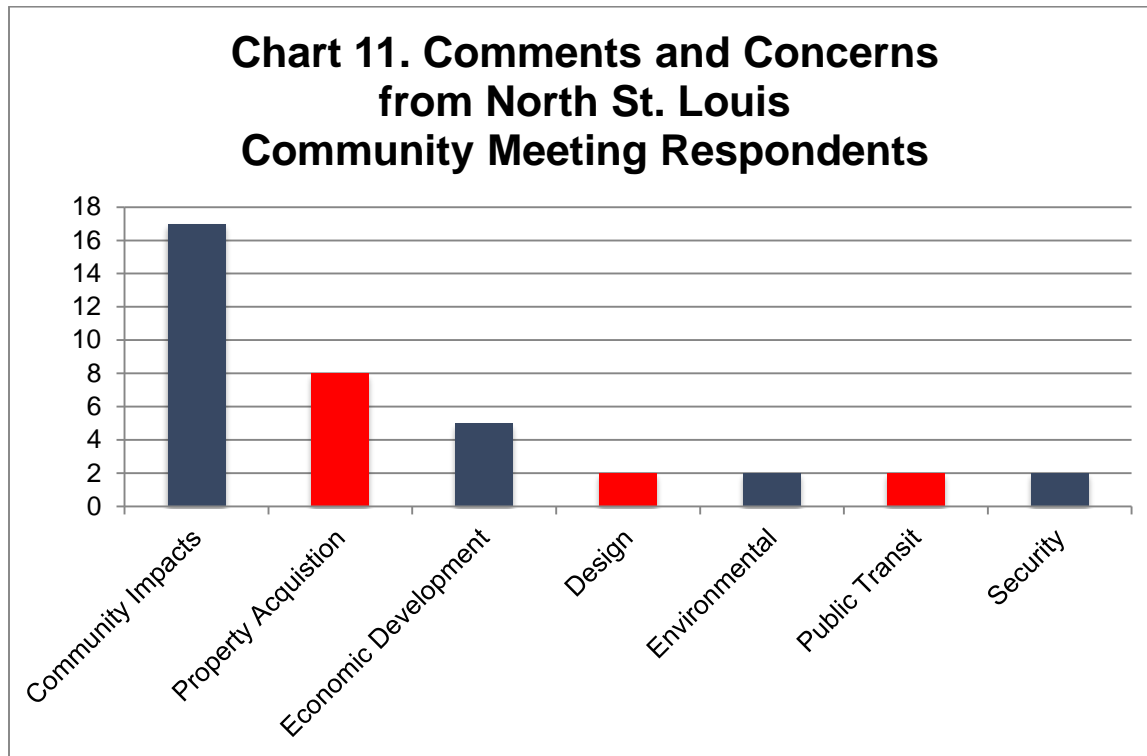
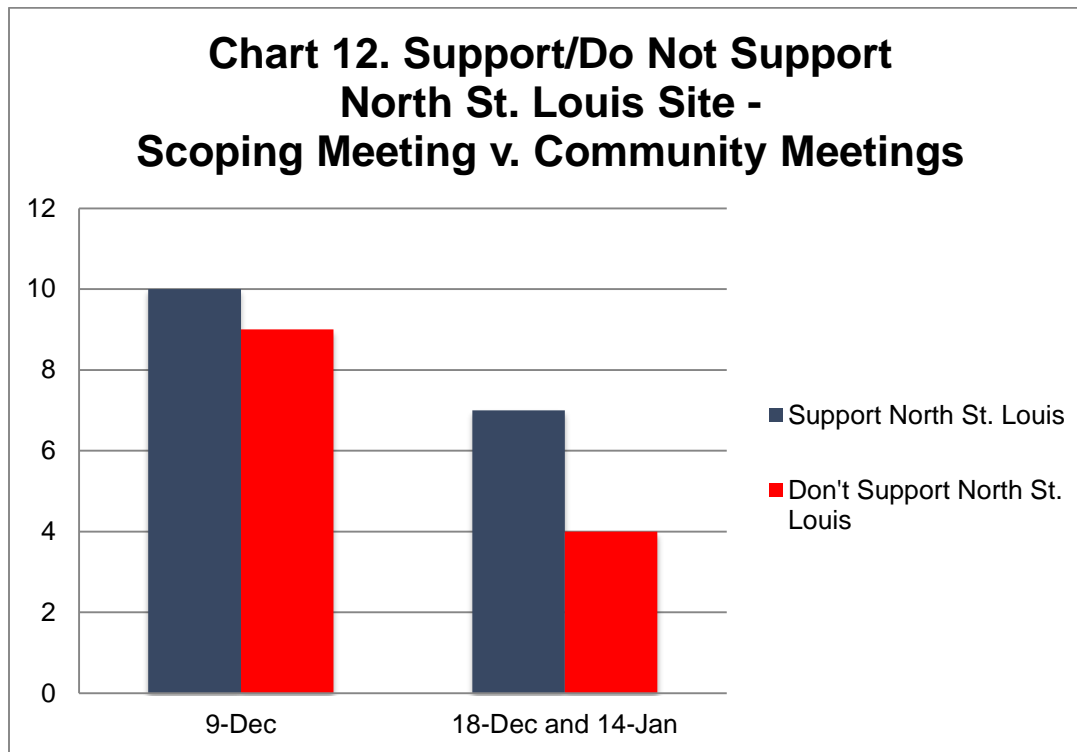


Chart 11 shows the areas of concern and comment from the 17 respondents at the December 18 and January 14 community meetings in North St. Louis. The top four areas of concern or comments expressed at the open house were:

- Community impacts (17)
- Property acquisition (8)
- Economic development (5)
- Design (2) and Environmental (2)

These results closely mirrored the respondents' answers for the first North St. Louis meeting on December 9. Regarding their preference for and against an NGA campus in North St. Louis, there was a variation between the first scoping meeting and the subsequent community meetings. The chart on the next page outlines the difference.



Based on the responses from the three meetings, a greater proportion of respondents supported the proposed North St. Louis site during the community meetings than during the scoping meeting. It is not possible to extrapolate this pattern of response to area residents and business owners at large.

Conclusion

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Environmental Impact Statement open houses and community meetings provided a forum for residents, businesses owners, and area stakeholders to: learn more about the project; meet with study team members; and provide their input for the four proposed sites and the environmental impact statement study. More than 550 citizens attended the open houses and 343 respondents submitted their input via the comment forms, emails, mailing and letters of support. Many of the submitted comments were open-ended responses to requests for concerns and comments, and were categorized to help better understand trends. Please read the verbatim comments in **Appendix J** to get a complete picture of the public's thoughts and comments on the study.

Respondents indicated they wanted the study team to examine community impacts, traffic implications, commuting impacts for NGA employees, and safety concerns in North St. Louis. However, stakeholders at each site also suggested other priorities to address, such as the interaction with Scott Air Force Base at St. Clair County, property acquisition and economic development at North St. Louis, and security and environmental impacts at Fenton and Mehlville. Both the overall patterns of comments and concerns as well as site-specific concerns can be addressed in the EIS.

Overall, nearly half (46%) of the respondents supported a new NGA campus at St. Clair County, and over 25% supported North St. Louis for the chosen site. Among respondents who were against a new NGA campus at a particular site, 63% were against the North St. Louis site, with 26% against St. Clair County. Fewer respondents expressed preference for or against the Mehlville or Fenton sites.

A majority of respondents were residents or business owners. They were most likely to hear about the open houses from email, social media or traditional media. They found the site maps, study team members and site selection criteria most informative, and reported that the lack of new information or information about specific study results, as well as the NGA info, was the least informative.

The additional community meetings in North St. Louis allowed 54 residents, business owners and stakeholders the opportunity to learn more about the project and provide their feedback. Their concerns reflect the previous North St. Louis scoping meeting: community impacts, property acquisition and economic development. More respondents demonstrated support for the North St. Louis site at the community meetings than the first scoping meeting.

Next steps for the project are completing the environmental studies and analysis for the draft EIS. Once the draft EIS is complete, it will be presented to the public at a series of public meetings scheduled for later this year.

Recommendations

Based on the information gathered from the 343 comments from the public, the following actions are recommended:

- Include community impact information in EIS analysis, including economic development, job creation, tax revenue, residential and commercial relocation and other socioeconomic impacts.
- Conduct detailed analysis of commute changes for current NGA employees.
- Provide site-specific information about community impacts, traffic implications, security measures, and environmental impacts (both construction and operation).
- Illustrate design goals for new campus as possible through renderings and master planning criteria to give area residents and businesses an idea of the campus' look and fit with the neighborhood.
- Continue working with area stakeholders (elected officials, community organizations, active residents, etc.) to inform them of study progress and public comment opportunities.
- Increase public engagement efforts, particularly at North St. Louis, to make sure the public is well informed about the study process and future public meetings.

APPENDIX A – Scoping Letter



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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

FROM: National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: Environmental Impact Statement for National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency West Facilities Modernization Project, St. Louis, Missouri Metropolitan area

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) delivers geospatial intelligence, or GEOINT, that provides a decisive advantage to warfighters, policymakers, intelligence professionals and first responders. Both an intelligence agency and combat support agency, NGA fulfills the president's national security priorities in partnership with the intelligence community and the Department of Defense. NGA is headquartered in Springfield, Virginia, and has two major locations in St. Louis and Arnold, Missouri.

NGA is pursuing construction and operation of a modern facility in the St. Louis metropolitan area to better support its mission to provide timely, relevant, and accurate geospatial intelligence in support of national security. The proposed new facility will support NGA's current mission, improve its resiliency, and address challenges associated with its current facility located on Second Street in the city of St. Louis, Missouri including physical constraints and security requirements. The environmental impact statement (EIS) will evaluate and disclose the impacts of constructing a new replacement facility and relocating NGA operations at alternative sites, in addition to a No Action Alternative. Accordingly, NGA announces its intent to prepare an EIS to analyze potential impacts to the quality of the human environment as a result of facilities construction and operation at alternative sites located in the St. Louis metropolitan area. The following six proposed site locations were initially identified through a site location study:

- **Fenton: 1050 Dodge Drive, Fenton, Missouri (southwest of St. Louis);**
- **Mehlville: 13045 Tesson Ferry Road, St. Louis, Missouri (south of St. Louis);**
- **NorthPark: 4800 N. Hanley Road, St. Louis (Ferguson), Missouri (northwest of St. Louis);**
- **North St. Louis City: near the intersections of Cass and North Jefferson Avenues;**
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The NorthPark and Weldon Spring locations have since been removed from consideration. A portion of the NorthPark location has been sold and the remaining land does not meet NGA requirements. Additionally, the Weldon Spring location is no longer under consideration based on master planning review.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, an EIS will be prepared that describes and evaluates potential effects to the human environment resulting from each of the proposed alternatives as well as the “no action” alternative. An EIS is being prepared due to potentially significant socioeconomic and environmental impacts as a result of the proposed NGA relocation. The EIS will also examine the potential cumulative impacts from other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions that may occur within the vicinity of the proposed alternatives. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District, is serving as the project management agency for this EIS. The EIS is anticipated to be available for review approximately September 2015.

Three public scoping meetings for the EIS will be held from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. during the week of 8 December 2014. These meetings will be in an open house format, and individuals are welcome to come and leave as they please. The purpose of these meetings is to inform the public of the project and to answer questions, discuss potential impacts to the human environment, and to obtain public feedback for alternatives development and EIS preparation. Public meeting dates and locations include:

- Tuesday, December 9, 2014: St. Louis Gateway Classic Foundation, 2012 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, St. Louis, MO 63106
- Wednesday, December 10, 2014: Katy Cavins Community Center, 308 East Fifth Street, O’Fallon, IL 62269;
- Thursday, December 11, 2014: Crestwood Community Center, 9245 Whitecliff Park Lane, Crestwood, MO 63126;

For information regarding public scoping meetings, please contact Ms. Amy Blair, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District by telephone at (816) 389-3393, by mail at Room 529, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106, or by electronic mail at NextNGAWest@usace.army.mil.



Steven K. Iverson, P.E., PMP
Chief, Planning, Programs and Project
Management Division

APPENDIX B – Open House Display Boards

WELCOME!

National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
West Facilities Modernization
Next NGA West (N2W)
Environmental Impact Statement

Open Houses

December 8 - 11, 2014



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Open House Display Boards 2

Today's Open House

- National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is reviewing sites for a new campus in the St. Louis area.
- NGA anticipates moving from its current location at South 2nd Street in St. Louis in 2021.
- The purpose of this open house is to obtain your comments on the project and the proposed sites.
- Your comments will be used to determine what issues should be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.



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Open House Display Boards 3

NGA West Facilities
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Station 1: About NGA



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Open House Display Boards 4

Project Overview

Building a new campus is critical to NGA's mission in St. Louis.

- Current facility is functionally obsolete and requires modernization.
- Previous studies determined building a new campus would be less costly, quicker and less disruptive to NGA's mission.
- Many of the structures at the current site date back to the mid-1800s and would require extensive work to renovate.



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Open House Display Boards 5

National Geospatial- Intelligence Agency (NGA)

- Provides timely, relevant, and accurate geospatial intelligence in support of national security.
- Fulfills the president's national security priorities in partnership with the intelligence community and Department of Defense. Many of those missions are accomplished from NGA's facilities in St. Louis.
- Employs over 3,000 people at its 2nd Street facilities.
- Has a well-earned reputation as part of the St. Louis metro area, along with its predecessor organizations, since the 1950s.



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NGA West Facilities
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Station 2: About the Study



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Open House Display Boards 7

NEPA Process

What is NEPA?

NEPA is the National Environmental Policy Act, a federal law requiring the consideration of environmental impacts of major federal actions.

What is an EIS?

An EIS is an Environmental Impact Statement, a comprehensive study of the environmental impacts of a major federal action.

What is Public Scoping?

Public scoping is the process of seeking input from:

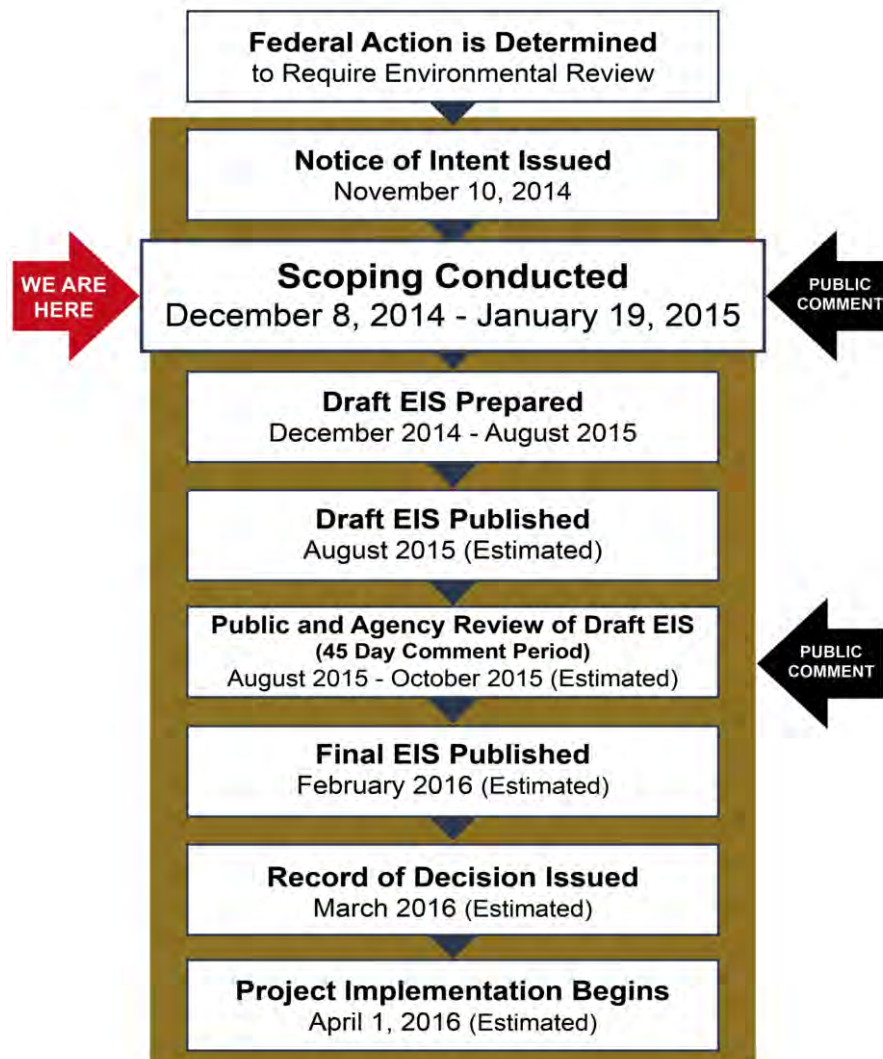
- Residents
- Federal and state agencies
- Local governmental agencies
- Area organizations
- Local businesses

With the public's help, this process will identify what should be focused on during the study, as well as determine what issues do not need further study.



Open House Display Boards 8

Study Timeline



Open House Display Boards 9

Purpose and Need

NGA needs a modern campus capable of meeting current and future mission requirements.

The new location will support a campus that:

- Provides modern facilities with sufficient space for effective productivity;
- Is conducive to recruiting and retaining top-quality employees;
- Stays within anticipated funding limits;
- Supports future changes to mission requirements;
- Has adequate utilities, telecommunication and transportation infrastructure;
- Is a usable shape, compatible with land use and outside of the floodplain;
- Provides physical security and force protection with setbacks from adjacent roads, railroads and property boundary lines;
- Has the potential to use topography and landscape to enhance security; and
- Considers the impact on the human and natural environment.



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Station 3: Proposed Sites



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Selection Process

NGA commissioned a siting study and gathered input from local real estate firms and other stakeholders. The following siting criteria were used to narrow down the selected site alternatives:

1. Overall Quality of Site Factors

- Site configuration, size, and geometry allowing for flexible design and expansion with appropriate security buffer
- Site topography
- Site buffers (natural existing or human-made opportunities)
- General site impressions

2. Development Suitability and Risk Factors

- Development cost impacts
- Expansion capability/flexibility
- Ease of procurement (# of owners, public or privately owned, etc.)
- Geotechnical or environmental risks

3. Site Infrastructure Factors

- Power: Adequate reliable power at site with diverse service
- Traffic and Transportation: Adequate quality roadways; mass transit; low traffic volume; multiple points of access
- Utilities: Proximate water, natural gas, sanitary and sewer services
- Telecommunications: Adequate quality, diverse telecommunications infrastructure proximate to site

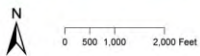
4. Site Location Factors

- Neighborhood Quality: Commercial planned development, non-industrial neighbors
- Staff commuting impact
- Zoning: Current and planned development aligns with mission facility
- Proximate amenities (child care, gas, eateries, hospital)



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Fenton Site Map

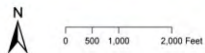
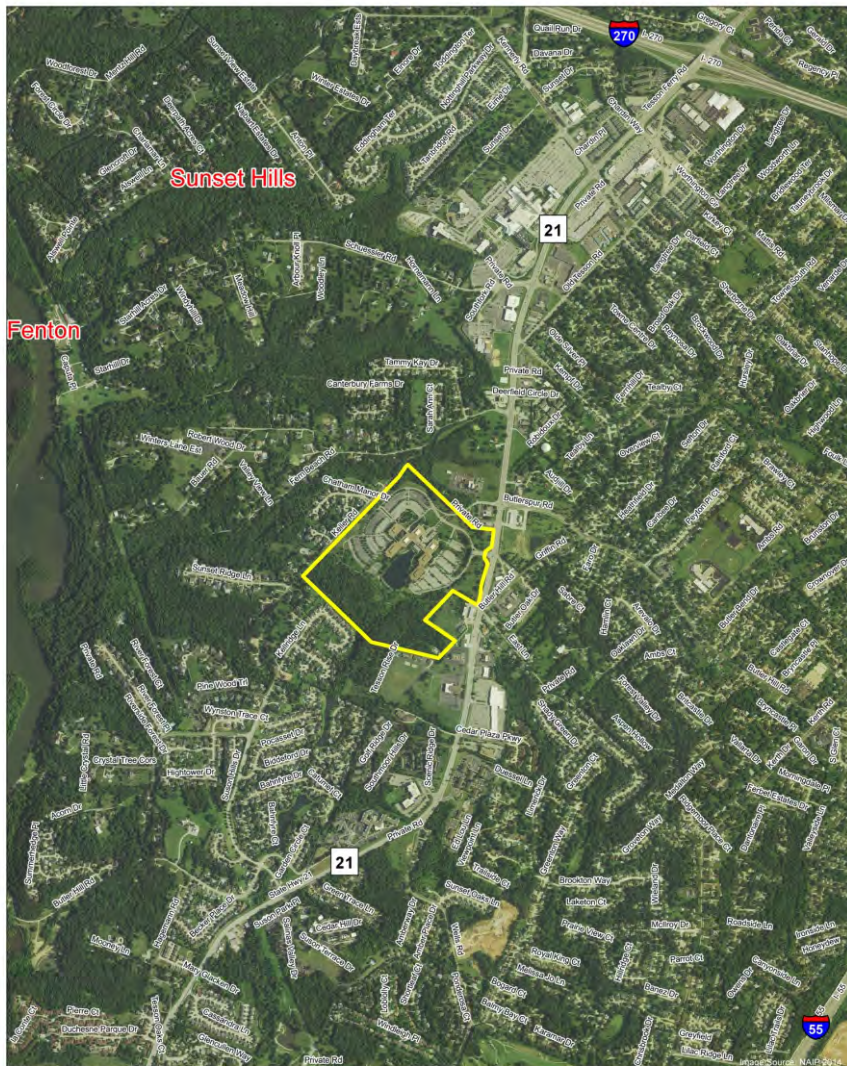


Fenton Site
Next NGA West EIS
St. Louis County, Missouri
280 Sq Acres



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Mehlville Site Map

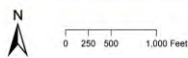
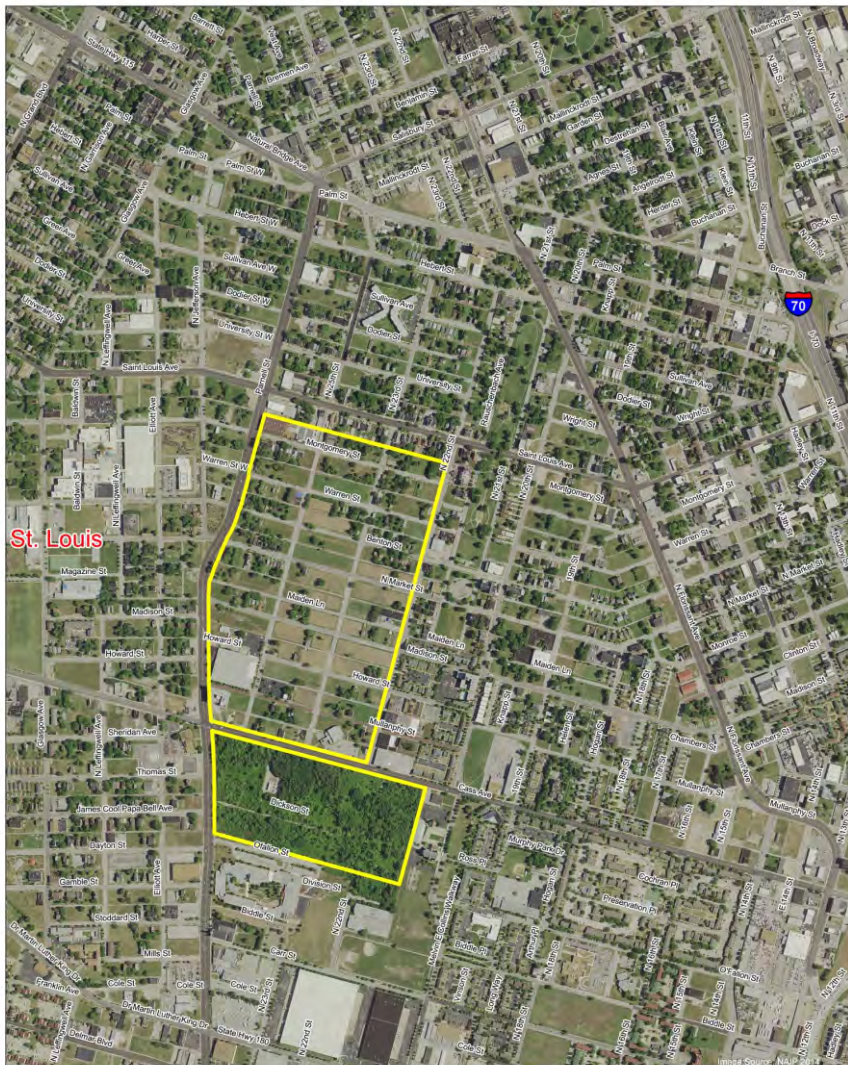


Mehlville Site
Next NGA West EIS
St. Louis County, Missouri
101 Sq Acres



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North St. Louis Site Map



North St. Louis City Site
Next NGA West EIS
St. Louis City, Missouri
136 Sq Acres



Open House Display Boards 15

St. Clair Site Map



St. Clair County Site
Next NGA West EIS
St. Clair County, Illinois
182 Sq Acres



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Station 4: Environmental Impacts



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Environmental Impacts

The EIS will study, at a minimum, the following environmental considerations:

- Endangered Species
- Air Quality
- Water Quality
- Cultural Resources
- Traffic and Transportation
- Noise
- Health & Safety
- Socioeconomics
- Biological Resources

Remember the point of these open houses is to learn what resources are important to you... Please provide your input!



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Station 5: Public Comments



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Public Comments

We want to hear from you regarding this project.

Ways to provide your comment:

1. Complete a paper comment form.
2. Complete an electronic comment form (on the iPads provided).
3. Provide your comments verbally to a court reporter to be transcribed.
4. Submit your comments online at **www.nextNGAwest.com**.
5. Email your comments to **nextNGAwest@usace.army.mil**.

Comments will be accepted through January 19, 2015. The next public comment period will be during the Draft EIS, anticipated in August 2015.



Appendix C – Open House Informational Handout

NGA West Facilities Modernization

Environmental Impact Statement – Next NGA West

NGA Seeks a New St. Louis Campus

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An Environmental Impact Statement is currently being completed for this project. A series of open houses are being conducted to obtain public comment.

Public Open Houses Scheduled for New NGA Campus Environmental Study

As part of a study to examine the environmental impacts of a new NGA campus on proposed sites, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, with the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) are hosting a series of open houses in December (see schedule right). The purpose of the open houses is to obtain your comments on the project. Your comments will be used to determine what issues should be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement for the new campus.



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PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES

The meetings will be held between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. at the following locations:

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National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) commissioned a siting study and gathered input from local real estate firms and stakeholders for a new campus location. Potential locations were required to meet minimum site requirements. For example, in order to be considered for evaluation, sites had to be within a 25-mile radius of NGA's current facilities and comprised of at least 50 acres. Sites also had to be located within two miles of a state or interstate roadway or a four-lane divided roadway. Illinois sites had to be located either along Interstate 255/270 or along Illinois Route 40/Interstate 64 to Scott Air Force Base (AFB).

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NEPA Process Will Help Agency Find New Campus

- The process began on November 10, 2014, with publication of the Notice of Intent in the Federal Register.
- Scoping, an open process involving the public and other Federal, state and local agencies, is underway to identify the major and important issues for consideration during the study. Public scoping comments will be accepted until January 19, 2015.
- The draft EIS will include a detailed description of the project, the purpose and need, the alternatives selected for evaluation, the affected environment, and the anticipated environmental effects of the four alternatives.
- A formal comment period will then be conducted on the draft EIS. A series of public meetings will be held and public comments will be accepted, similar to the scoping process.
- Upon receipt of public comments, the final EIS will be developed and issued. The final EIS will address public and government agency comments on the draft.
- The Record of Decision is the final step in the EIS process. The Record of Decision is a document that will state the final recommended site and discuss plans to lessen negative impacts. NGA will make the final decision on the preferred site for their new campus.

Image Source: NAIP 2012

This aerial map shows a large parcel outlined in yellow, situated between Wherry Rd and Chocklaw Rd. The parcel is bordered by a mix of agricultural fields and wooded areas. To the north, Interstate 64 (I-64) runs horizontally. To the east, Scott School Rd runs vertically. To the south, Radar Rd runs vertically, and several other streets including Gray Plz, Hesse St, Gunn St, Air Guard Way, and Pryor Dr are visible. To the west, Wherry Rd runs horizontally. The bottom of the map shows a golf course and a baseball field, with streets 16th St and 15th St running horizontally. The image source is cited as NAIP 2012.

Environmental Impact Statement Will Evaluate Environmental Impacts

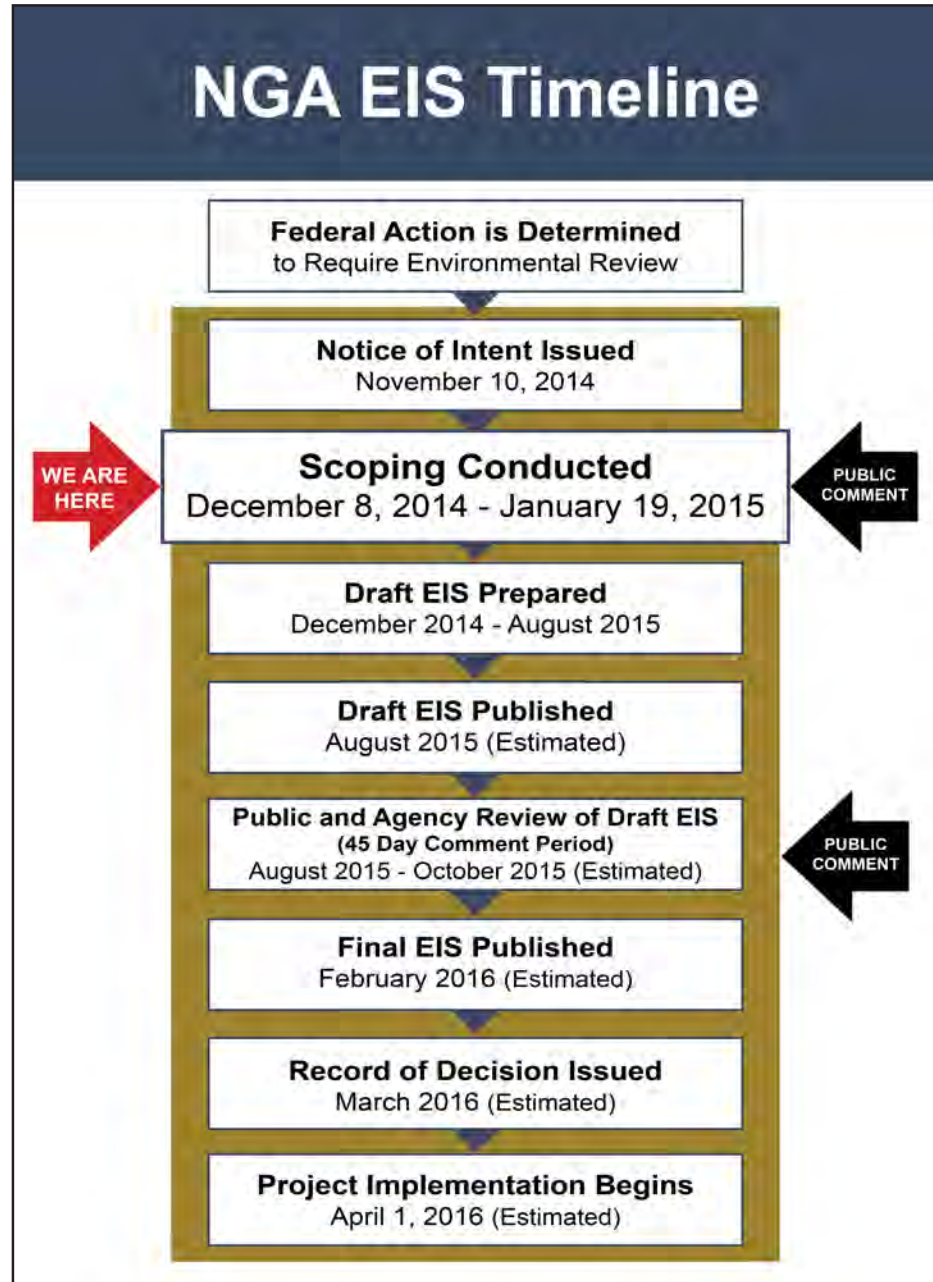
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- Endangered Species
- Air Quality
- Water Quality
- Cultural Resources
- Traffic and Transportation
- Noise
- Safety
- Socioeconomics

Seeking Public Comments for Next NGA West

Part of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Environmental Impact Statement is to evaluate the potential impacts, both positive and negative, associated with the proposed sites for the new campus in the St. Louis region. NGA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers welcome your input throughout the study comment periods. You can provide comments during the public scoping period from November 10, 2014 – January 19, 2015 via these outlets:

- Public meetings: Written, electronic and spoken comments
- www.nextNGAwest.com/comment
- Mail: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District, Attn: Amy Blair, Room 529, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106.
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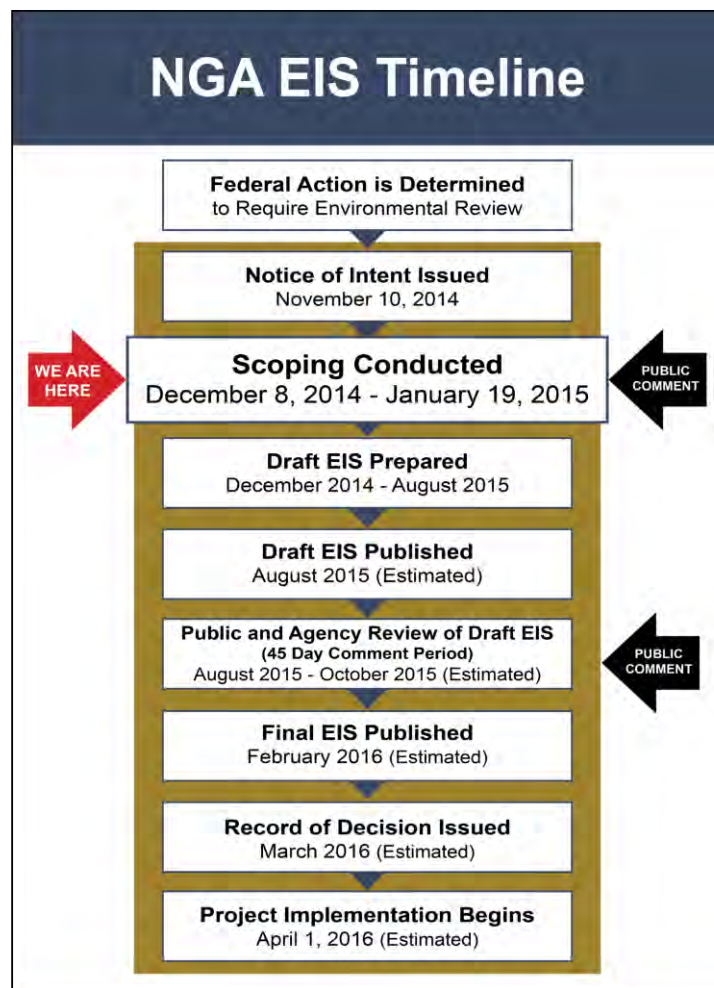
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APPENDIX D – Open House Frequently Asked Questions

Open House Frequently Asked Questions 2

What locations are under consideration for the new NGA campus?

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NGA announced that six sites were under consideration in July 2014. Only four have been analyzed in the Environmental Impact Statement?

The NorthPark site at 4800 N. Hanley Road, St. Louis, Missouri (northwest of St. Louis), and the Weldon Spring site at 4700 Technology Drive, Weldon Spring, Missouri (northwest of St. Louis), were previously announced as potential site alternatives. However, these two sites have since been removed from consideration. A portion of the NorthPark location has been sold and the remaining land does not meet NGA's requirements. The Weldon Spring site is no longer under consideration based on master planning review.

What will happen to the current South 2nd Street facility?

If NGA moves from the existing location, the property owner, the US Air Force, will be responsible for addressing the future use of the 2nd Street land and facilities. Insufficient information is available to discuss that topic at the current time; the future of the 2nd St facilities is not part of this EIS.

Who will make the final decision on where the new facility is built?

NGA.

Will the NGA relocation generate new jobs?

NGA would be relocating its 2nd Street campus and retaining its existing workforce.

How big will the buildings be?

The campus complex would consist of the following facilities/improvements:

- Secure Analysis Facility (approximately 800,000 square feet (ft²))
- Central Utilities Plant (approximately 38,000 ft²)
- Structured Parking (approximately 1,000,000 ft²)
- Visitor Center (approximately 7,300 ft²)
- Remote Vehicle/Truck Inspection Facility (approximately 6,500 ft²)
- Associated Site improvements (roads, utilities, landscaping, etc.)

Does NGA have a preferred alternative location?

Not at this time.

The NEPA Process

What is the National Environmental Policy Act?

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is a federal law that requires federal agencies to assess the environmental effects of their proposed actions before making decisions.

What is an Environmental Impact Statement?

Under NEPA, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is prepared when a federal agency, such as NGA, proposes a major action that could significantly affect the quality of the environment. The EIS will evaluate potential environmental effects resulting from each of the action alternatives as well as a no action alternative. The EIS will also examine the potential cumulative impacts from other actions occurring within the vicinity of the proposed project.

Who is managing the NEPA process for the new NGA campus?

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is managing preparation of the EIS for NGA in accordance with NEPA.

What steps are involved in the EIS?

The EIS process is completed in the following steps: Notice of Intent, Public Scoping, Draft EIS, Public Comment, Final EIS, and Record of Decision.

- The process began on November 10, 2014, with publication of the Notice of Intent in the Federal Register.
- Scoping, an open process involving the public and other federal, state and local agencies, is underway to identify the major and important issues for consideration during the study. Public involvement and agency coordination will continue throughout the entire process. Public Scoping comments will be accepted until January 19, 2015.
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- The Record of Decision is the final step in the EIS process. The Record of Decision is a document that will state the final decision and discuss plans to lessen negative impacts.

What studies will be conducted for the EIS?

NGA is in the process of conducting the following studies at all the alternative site locations:

- Endangered Species Habitat Assessment
- Phase I Environmental Baseline Surveys
- Cultural Resource Surveys
- Air Quality Assessments
- Traffic Impact Analysis
- Wetland and Floodplain Assessments
- Economic Impact Modeling

How will the sites be evaluated?

Alternatives will be evaluated according to their ability to meet the study's purpose and need and for their environmental impacts. Public input will be considered in the evaluation.

Open House Frequently Asked Questions 3

How long will it take to complete the EIS?

The entire EIS process is expected to take about 18 months to complete.

Why does it take so long?

NEPA is a deliberative process, designed for data and information to be collected, that provides time for public input and for the decision makers to consider all the information and input. For example, 3.5 months are identified for public involvement.

Public Comment

What is the NEPA scoping process?

Scoping is an early and open public involvement process intended to determine which issues the EIS will address. During NEPA scoping, the government is seeking input on the proposed construction of a new NGA West campus in St. Louis from affected government agencies, elected officials, non-governmental organizations, and the public. NGA will identify significant issues to focus on in the EIS using input that will be obtained during the scoping period.

How can I submit comments during the NEPA scoping process?

NGA is accepting scoping comments until January 19, 2015. NGA will compile and present all Public Scoping comments as an appendix in the Draft EIS.

Comment online: Leave a comment at www.nextNGAwest.com/comment

Mail or email comments:

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How will my comments be addressed?

Public comments will be addressed in the Draft EIS.

What are the next steps?

After the scoping period, USACE will produce a Draft EIS that explains the alternatives considered, the affected environment and environmental consequences. Copies of the Draft EIS will be available to the public and a public meeting will be held to present the Draft EIS for public review and comment.

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APPENDIX E – Newspaper Advertisements

Belleville News-Democrat

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PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

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ST. CLAIR COUNTY

Along Interstate (I-64), adjacent to Scott Air Force Base

Come to the Public Open House to learn about the project and give us your input. Stop by anytime.

Wednesday, December 10, 2014
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Katy Cavins Community Center
308 E. 5th Street / O'Fallon, IL 62269

For more information, visit
www.nextNGAwest.com



Belleville News-Democrat Affidavit

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION OF NEWSPAPER NOTICE
OF PUBLIC MEETING

The State of Illinois

County of St. Clair

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared
Chandra Moffitt, publisher or representative of the Belleville News-Democrat, who
being by me duly sworn, upon oath deposes and says:

That the attached NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING for the National Geospatial-
Intelligence Agency Environmental Impact Statement was published in the Belleville News-
Democrat, a newspaper published in the County of St. Clair, IL, in the following issues:

November 27, 2014
November 28, 2014
November 30, 2014
December 2, 2014
December 5, 2014

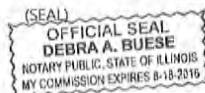
and that attached newspaper tear sheet is a true and correct copy of said published notice.

Signed: Chandra Moffitt

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the 30th day January, 2015.

Debra A. Buese

Notary Public in and for St. Clair County, IL



(ATTACH NEWSPAPER TEAR SHEET)

O'Fallon Progress and Command Post Advertisement

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O'Fallon Progress and Command Post Affidavit

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The State of Illinois

County of St. Clair

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared
Patti L. Klepac, publisher or representative of the O'Fallon
Progress and Command Post, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath
deposes and says:

That the attached NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING for the National
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published in the O'Fallon Progress and Command Post, a newspaper
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November 28 – December 4, 2014

December 5 – December 11, 2014

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published notice.

Signed: Patti L. Klepac

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the 4th day February, 2015.

Debra A. Buese

Notary Public in and for St. Clair County, IL



South County Times Newspaper Advertisement

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South County Times Affidavit

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OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The State of Missouri
County of St. Louis

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Dwight Bitikoff, publisher or representative of the South County Times, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath deposes and says:

That the attached NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Environmental Impact Statement was published in the South County Times, a newspaper published in the County of St. Louis, Missouri, in the following issues:

November 28 – December 4, 2014
December 5 – December 11, 2014


and that attached newspaper tear sheet is a true and correct copy of said published notice.

Signed: [Signature]

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the 20 day
January, 2015. [Signature]
Notary Public in and for St. Louis County, MO

(SEAL)

(ATTACH NEWSPAPER TEAR SHEET)



St. Louis American Newspaper Advertisement

Please join us

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency is relocating and has selected several potential sites in the St. Louis region:

FENTON: 1050 Dodge Drive, Fenton, Missouri (former Chrysler plant)

MEHLVILLE: 13045 Tesson Ferry Road, St. Louis, Missouri

NORTH ST. LOUIS CITY: Near the intersections of Cass and North Jefferson Avenues

ST. CLAIR COUNTY: Along Interstate (I-64), adjacent to Scott Air Force Base

Come to one of the Public Open Houses to learn about the project and give us your input. Stop by anytime.

Tuesday, December 9, 2014 / 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

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St. Louis American Newspaper Affidavit

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ST. LOUIS AMERICAN NEWSPAPER
2315 FINE ST
ST. LOUIS MO. 63103
314-533-8000

DECEMBER 10, 2014

VECTOR COMMUNICATIONS
701 N. 15TH ST. MAILBOX 43
ST. LOUIS, MO. 63103
INVOICE#61327

ATTN: COURTNEY MUELLER

SEALED BID: PLEASE JOIN US PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES. THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-
INTELLIGENCE AGENCY IS RELOCATING AND HAS SELECTED SEVERAL POTENTIAL
SITES IN THE ST. LOUIS REGION: FENTON 1050 DODGE DRIVE, FENTON, MISSOURI
(FORMER CHRYSLER PLANT) MEHLVILLE 103045 TESSON FERRY ROAD, ST. LOUIS
MISSOURI NORTH ST. LOUIS CITY NEAR THE INTERSECTIONS OF CASS AND NORTH
JEFFERSON AVENUES ST. CLAIR COUNTY ALONG INTERSTATE (I-64), ADJACENT TO
SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE COME TO ONE OF THE PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES TO LEARN ABOUT
THE PROJECT.

LOIS SUTTON

ACCOUNTING ASST.

Lois Sutton
Who certifies the above-referenced advertisement November 27, 2014 in the
Size charged for, and in the entire press run of the St. Louis American Newspaper,
Please find the invoice and tearsheet(s) regarding said ad enclosed.

STATE OF MISSOURI)
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS) LAND, MISS



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of December, 2014
Robin R. Brutt Notary Public

Telephone: 314-533-8000

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Sales Fax: 314-533-2332

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ST. LOUIS, MO. 63103
INVOICE# 61423

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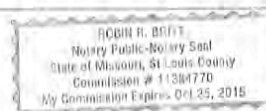
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St. Louis Post-Dispatch Newspaper Affidavit

**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION OF NEWSPAPER NOTICE
OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The State of Missouri

County of St. Louis City

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Johnny Dunstond, publisher or representative of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath deposes and says:

That the attached NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Environmental Impact Statement was published in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, a newspaper published in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, in the following issues:

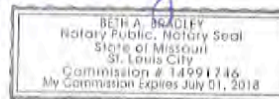
November 27, 2014
November 28, 2014
November 30, 2014
December 2, 2014
December 5, 2014

and that attached newspaper tear sheet is a true and correct copy of said published notice.

Signed: [Signature]

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the 19 day January 2015.

Beth A. Bradley



APPENDIX F – Scoping Meetings Announcements

Please join us

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency is relocating and
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PROPOSED NORTH ST. LOUIS SITE
Near the intersections of Cass and North
Jefferson Avenues

Tuesday, December 9, 2014
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
(Stop by anytime)

**St. Louis Gateway Classic
Foundation**

2012 Dr. Martin Luther King Drive
St. Louis, MO 63106
(Corner of North 20th and Dr. Martin Luther
King Drive)

The National Geospatial-Intelligence
Agency, in cooperation with the U.S.
Army Corps of Engineers, is studying the
environmental impacts of a new campus
on each proposed location.

COMMENT ONLINE

Leave a comment at www.nextNGAwest.com/comment.

MAIL OR EMAIL COMMENTS

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers / Kansas City District
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nextNGAwest@usace.army.mil



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Scoping Meetings Announcement Flyers 2

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PROPOSED ST. CLAIR COUNTY SITE
Along Interstate (I-64), adjacent to Scott Air
Force Base

Wednesday, December 10, 2014
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
(Stop by anytime)

Katy Cavins Community Center

308 E. 5th Street
O'Fallon, IL 62269
(East 5th Street and South Park Street)

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Scoping Meetings Announcement Flyers 3

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PROPOSED FENTON SITE

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(Former Chrysler plant)

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Thursday, December 11, 2014

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(Stop by anytime)

Crestwood Community Center

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Crestwood, MO 63126
(Located in Whitecliff Park)

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Scoping Meetings Announcement Flyer 4

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PROPOSED MEHLVILLE SITE

13045 Tesson Ferry Road, St. Louis, Missouri

Thursday, December 11, 2014

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

(Stop by anytime)

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APPENDIX G – Email Blast

[Click here to forward this email to a friend.](#)

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) is relocating from its South St. Louis location and has selected several potential sites in Mehlville, Fenton, North St. Louis and St. Clair County near Scott Air Force Base. NGA, in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is hosting a series of open houses December 9-11 to gather public comment as part of an environmental study.

Please pass this email along to anyone who may be interested. We hope to see you there.

Please join us

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES

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Come learn about the project and give us your input. Stop by anytime.

NORTH ST. LOUIS: Tuesday, December 9, 2014 / 4:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.

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(Corner of North 20th and Dr. Martin Luther King Drive)

Proposed North St. Louis Site: Near the intersections of Cass and North Jefferson Avenues

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308 E. 5th Street / O'Fallon, IL 62269 (East 5th Street and South Park Street)

Proposed St. Clair County Site: Along Interstate (I-64), adjacent to Scott Air Force Base

SOUTH COUNTY: Thursday, December 11, 2014 / 4:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.

Crestwood Community Center
9245 Whitecliff Park Lane / Crestwood, MO 63126 (Located in Whitecliff Park)

Proposed South County Sites: 1050 Dodge Drive, Fenton, Missouri (former Chrysler plant) or
13045 Tesson Ferry Road, St. Louis, Missouri

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COMMENT ONLINE

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MAIL OR EMAIL COMMENTS

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For more information and additional ways to provide comments, [CLICK HERE](#).

APPENDIX H – Open House Comment Form



Next NGA West EIS Open House Comment Form December 8-11, 2014



**US Army Corps
of Engineers®**
Kansas City District

Thank you for completing this comment form.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Title: _____ Organization: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Email: _____

I am commenting on the following sites: ☐ Fenton ☐ Mehlville ☐ North St. Louis ☐ St. Clair County ☐ All sites

1. Any concerns or interests this study should cover?

2. Further comments?

Open House Comment Form 2

3. Which of the following best describes you? Please check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Resident	<input type="checkbox"/> Business Owner / Operator	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Official
<input type="checkbox"/> NGA Employee	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Organization Rep.	<input type="checkbox"/> Consulting Agency Rep.
<input type="checkbox"/> Elected Official	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Media	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

4. How did you find out about this Open House? Please check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Mail	<input type="checkbox"/> Email	<input type="checkbox"/> Media
<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper Ad	<input type="checkbox"/> Study Website	<input type="checkbox"/> Word of Mouth
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Media	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Official	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

5. The information I found most informative was:

6. The information I found least informative was:

Please send comment form to:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District | Attn: Amy Blair | Room 529, 601 E. 12th Street,
Kansas City, MO 64106 | Email: nextNGAwest@usace.army.mil

APPENDIX I – North St. Louis Community Meeting Mailer

Please give us your comments

PROPOSED SITE

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency is relocating to a new campus and your neighborhood is one of the proposed sites.

We want to know what you think about this site location.



PROPOSED NORTH ST. LOUIS SITE

Near the intersections of Cass and North Jefferson Avenues

COMMENT ONLINE

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The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA), in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is studying environmental impacts of a possible new NGA campus in your area.

North St. Louis is one of four proposed sites for the new NGA campus. The proposed sites are in Fenton, Mehlville, and North St. Louis in Missouri and St. Clair County in Illinois. We would like your thoughts on a possible campus in your neighborhood (see map left).

If you have any thoughts to share with us, please fill out the attached comment form and mail to the address below. Or you can go online to www.nextNGAwest.com/comment, and fill out the form.

First round of comments accepted through January 19, 2015.



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North St. Louis Community Meeting Mailer 2

2. Further comments?

3. Which of the following best describes you? Please check all that apply.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Elected Official	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Media	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Public comments will be maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District.

Please send comment form to:

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Kansas City, MO 64106 | Email: nextNGAwest@usace.army.mil

North St. Louis Community Meeting Mailer 3

Please join us for a community open house for
North St. Louis residents and business owners
Wednesday, January 14, 2015
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Stop by anytime
St. Louis Gateway Classic Sports Foundation
2012 Dr. Martin Luther King Drive
St. Louis, MO 63106

Learn more about the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency
study to find a new location, which includes a proposed North St. Louis site
and provide your comments.

More info: www.nextNGAwest.com

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APPENDIX J – Verbatim Comments

Question 1: Any concerns or interests this study should cover?

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Biological impact on stream @ St. Claire Co site and lake @ Mehlville site (including migratory birds) Radiological/Contamination @ North City site
Will green space be maintained? What percent of property would remain green space? What type of fencing? How will fence be visually acceptable? How will additional traffic be handled? Will there be bright lights?
North St. Louis: 1) Security of NGA employees would be a concern, access as well. Fenton: 1) Access and minimal environmental impact would seem ideal. Study of Impact on I-44-270 interchange would be needed. Mehlville: 1) Proximity to Arnold, MO campus a plus. Study of impact on Tesson Ferry (I-21) and Butler Hill Rd traffic would be needed. St. Clair County: Where do most current St. Louis based NGA employees live and what is environmental impact of commuting to Scott AFB
The St. Clair site would appear to be best for being a secure site, i.e. not closely surrounded by residential or industrial activity. The St. Clair site would appear to be least likely to require any potential previous use problems, such as industrial contamination, etc. However the St. Clair site would probably need the most construction, of the four sites, for access.
I believe there is an additional site that should be considered. The property sits within the city of Bridgeton, but is owned by the City of St. Louis. The area is called Carrollton. In the late '80s-early 90's a large subdivision was purchased by the city to be annexed to Lambert Airport. Two thousand homes were purchased and removed. TWA had a major hub in St. Louis at the time and the City expected an increase in air traffic. The homes were purchased for noise abatement. Unfortunately, the increase of air traffic did not happen, TWA went out of business and St. Louis is no longer a airline hub. Now, Carrollton sits abandoned and forgotten. Carrollton is in between 70 and 270 highways, bounded on the East by Lambert Airport. It is close to Boeing and 170 highway. There are 35 square miles of empty property that is centrally located. The area surrounding Carrollton is well developed with hotels, shopping and restaurants. It is a low-crime area. There are many benefits to the Carrollton area and it should be considered. Because it was purchased by the city (but is not IN the city) it is forgotten. Please visit the Wikipedia page for more information or call Conrad Bowers, the mayor of Bridgeton, for additional information. Thank you!
SAFETY of NGA employees - driving to and from work, shift work, coming and going at all times of night/day. North St. Louis City neighborhood- big safety concern! St. Clair County, IL - concern with driving distance for the majority of the workforce.
No concerns. Seems very thorough.
1. Safe area 2. Mass transportation (bus or Metro within short/safe walking distance) as well as highways and good streets 3. Hospital and stores
I would prefer to see the organization stay in Missouri and not relocated to Illinois site to keep employment and taxes in Missouri. Also the North St. Louis site has security concerns to me due to crime history of North St. Louis. Fenton site is not very "private" for NGA. I feel the Mehlville site would meet many of your needs and also has a close proximity to your Arnold facility which would be convenient if employees regularly go back and forth for meetings.

North St. Louis: Realistically, this will probably be the site chosen. It is the political choice. However, there may be hazardous waste here; there are safety concerns for the commute and for going out to lunch; there is a street running through the property; St. Louis earnings tax; no amenities nearby St. Clair: security concern with a public airport next door; long way from Arnold; amenities a few miles away Mehlville: May not be room to expand here; safe area; amenities nearby Fenton: Safe area; easy to get to; lots of room to grow; amenities nearby and no I am not an NGA employee nor do I live nearby Issue: Many employees in the west believe in concealed carry and currently park outside the gates at NGA. Please take this into consideration
Due to Ferguson riots, Do NOT put this facility near Ferguson! Anywhere but North St. Louis
Distance from current facility.
No concerns, don't want facilities to be far from each other
I hope that the Arsenal site is preserved as a historical site
In reading the selection process it does appear that the North St. Louis site would be the most suitable, based on current situations
Location, housing, school districts, environmental impact, traffic, hwy system
Mehlville - too costly to remove existing building and lake. Poor traffic flow along Butler Hill Rd Fenton - Best site - No structures - better traffic flow
Parking; traffic flow; easy access to highways; size of "campus"; surround neighborhood- safety of employees
Hi: My name is Eric Schwarz and my wife and I have been restoring an 1880 house at the NE corner of St. Louis Ave and 23rd Street for 30 years. Save the strip of homes on the south side of St. Louis Avenue, we would look directly to the south over the NGA complex. I suspect I offer a unique perspective in that I work for NGA and have just started my 37th year with the agency. We've watched our neighborhood (St. Louis Place) attempt to stabilize and become a better and safer place to live over the last 30 years through endless plans and initiatives. This same site was once the core of the ill fated "North City Golf Course" plan, likewise there was an extensive plan to redesign the 5th ward (St. Louis Place is completely contained within the 5th ward), and of course the current NorthSide efforts of Paul McKee and his current "ownership" of the Pruitt-Igoe property which is part of the NGA potential site. While we welcome the NGA site concept, the concern would be with details of the implementation. Having been through the public presentations of the Golf Course and more over the years, local residents tend to feel they have endured deprivation of city services and support and will need to be informed how it will make their life and their property better with specifics. Likewise all of those people potentially displaced from the non Pruitt-Igoe northern part of the site will not see themselves in the plan, but simply as displaced or gentrified and that would need to be addressed as well. Working for NGA I know the bulk of the jobs require clearances and being either a federal employee or federal contractor. That begs the questions of how it could provide jobs and revenue to the community surrounding it. The plan would need to address the means by which local business could have the opportunity to provide goods and services to employees, such as lunch locations and convenience shops or other opportunities. Specifically, the neighborhood would need to see how the plan would address the complex not being an armed compound where employees would stream into the complex in the morning and flee in the evening, reminiscent of the NGA Navy Yard complex on the Anacostia River in Washington, D.C.
The Fenton logistics park has the size (280 acres) to handle the size of your agency. The Fenton site has access to Hwy 44, 55, 270 for your workforce Your agency should remain in the St. Louis area, in Fenton
I would prefer the North City St. Louis site or the St. Clair County, IL site. Please consider the safety/security of employees en route to work at all hours of the day and night.

Located just minutes from downtown St. Louis, Scott Air Force Base, (SAFB) in Shiloh, Illinois, is one of the largest employers in the St. Louis region. The following report summarizes the advantages and opportunities that exist at the SAFB site in St. Clair County, Illinois for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency. Transit Options at Scott Air Force Base - Direct access to Shiloh-Scott Metrolink Station - Direct connection to six St. Clair County Transit Bus Routes - Federal subsidy for NGA employees who use transit RideFinders Carpool/Vanpool Opportunities - Free online ridematching service - Federal subsidy for NGA employees who rideshare - Thirteen (13) NGA Vanpools and eighty-one (81) Carpools - Existing RideFinders relationship with NGA and SAFB - Increased propensity for employee ridesharing near SAFB - Free "Guaranteed Ride Home" benefit for registered ridesharing employees - Vans feature captain chairs, arm rests, 12-volt outlet and optional WiFi. Advantages of Proximity to TransComm - Heightened Security - Improved U.S. Military Communication - Enhanced and complemented mission for SAFB - Safeguarded future for SAFB against future base realignments and closures - Strengthened region by adding NGA Quality of Life Benefits - Access to the MCT Troy-O'Fallon Bike Trail - Access to 125 miles of scenic bikeways in the MCT Trails system - Simplified travel against normal peak traffic patterns due to eastbound traffic to SAFB - Reduced traffic congestion in the Shiloh-Scott area -Direct access to Interstate 64

I was not able to attend the public open house on December 9, 2014 at the Gateway Classic Foundation, but as a local resident I want my concerns known. First, the area outlined on the flier map is far too large. It is more than twice the area of the former Pruitt-Igoe site, which I feel would be quite adequate for the proposed NGIA highly secure federal facility. The vacant Pruitt-Igoe site has surrounding institutions which are compatible with the proposed NGIA plan. The scope of the proposed NGIA footprint needs to be greatly reduced and limited for practical urban integration. Second, the area north of Cass Avenue has an existing residential base and should remain so. In fact, major rehabilitation and in-fill housing is essential to the revitalization of the city's near North Side. This is an important consideration for building the current and future populations base of St. Louis. Third, there should be a plan to use federal funds to train local residents to gain competencies for the high-tech jobs that would be available at the NGIA facility. This could be done in conduction with the St. Louis Community College and/or other cooperating institutions working with the St. Louis Public School District. Simply dropping the NGIA into our urban landscape without a reasonable opportunity for meaningful employment will not benefit our residents or our city in the short or long run. Our urban sustainability is really tied to our local economy and we need planning for the NGIA that would provide real well-paying jobs to locally qualified people.

Need to evaluate cost avoidance between used site and a cleared site. Need to evaluate cost avoidance and effectiveness of DOD and IC passengers using Mid-America Airport/Scott AB like Lambert/St. Louis.

On behalf of the Heartlands Conservancy Board of Directors I write today in support of the proposed relocation of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) to the Scott Air Force Base (AFB) site. Given the nature of the agency's mission, and the connection with the existing varied and significant operations assigned to Scott AFB, this location would appear to be an obvious match. Heartlands Conservancy has been working on natural resource issues within southwestern Illinois for the past 25 years. As a non-profit organization, we encourage planned development that balances environmental sustainability, social responsibility, and economic growth. We fully recognize and support the economic benefits that location the NGA to Scott AFB will bring the southwestern Illinois. We also see tremendous opportunities for this development to enhance our area's quality of life through environmental solutions, such as green infrastructure. Recently, we have been conducting a watershed plan for the upper reaches of Silver Creek. The Creek runs along the eastern border of Scott AFB and is the second largest tributary within the Kaskaskia River basin. The plan, while primarily focused on water quality, also takes an in-depth look at existing flooding issues caused by urbanization, stream modifications, and climate change. A significant portion of Silver Creek has been channelized, and as such, moves water very quickly with no regard for temporary storage. More frequent and intense storm systems in recent years, coupled with an increase in impervious surfaces, have amplified the quantity of water in Silver Creek. Heartlands Conservancy fully supports and strongly encourages a design approach that minimizes stormwater runoff from the selected site for the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency. We view the development of a site of this nature as an outstanding opportunity to implement a variety of stormwater management practices which, in total, will provide for no stormwater net gain within Silver Creek during significant rain events and will enhance the area's ecosystems. Not only will this benefit the proposed NGA site, but it will also improve environmental quality and economic potential in southwestern Illinois. Heartlands Conservancy will continue to work with Scott AFB, and other partners within the Silver Creek watershed, to minimize flooding and water quality issues in both the near- and long-term. Should the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency need assistance in the implementation of green infrastructure practices within the proposed site, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The main thing is to get the present homeowner involved enough in this project. I am interested in what happens in my neighborhood. And I want to be heard.

Will this bring any additional jobs to North St. Louis?

The study should cover the impact that removing 130 acres will have on the surrounding area and development in St. Louis City. Not all impacts will be positive. I think the new NGA in North City could hurt efforts for revitalizing the area by removing such a large section from public use.

I am writing this letter of support of behalf of the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois for St. Clair County's efforts to secure the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) West Facilities at the site near Scott Air Force Base (SAFB). The Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois is not for profit economic development organization founded in 1983. Our 195 members are senior leaders in the region representing business, industry, labor, education and government in Southwestern Illinois. The mission of the organization is to unite the region for economic growth. The Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois works closely with regional partners in economic development, such as St. Clair County, to support their growth efforts. The NGA relocation to the St. Clair County site near SAFB makes sense for many reasons, including: 1. The missions at SAFB are a major client of the NGA, so proximity to SAFB would be a benefit. 2. Approximately 30% of the employees that currently work at the NGA downtown already live in Illinois, and the site is served by public transit, with Metro Link at SAFB already. 3. The property is owned by St. Clair County, enabling a very competitive land acquisition and easy transfer of the property. The Air Force Times recently awarded SAFB the #1 ranking of places for military members to be stationed in the U.S. The factors that drove that ranking, low cost of living and housing, excellent schools, low crime rates and ease of commute, are also factors that make the site at SAFB an excellent place for the NGA to be located. The NGA organization and its employees will enjoy the low cost of living and housing, excellent schools, low crime rates and easy commute as they work, live and conduct business at Southwestern Illinois. They will also find the people in the Southwestern Illinois region to be highly supportive of the military and military contractors, as evidenced by the 2013 winning of the Abilene Trophy by the region for their strong support of Scott Air Force Base and our military personnel. It is the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois's privilege to work with our regional partners to grow Southwestern Illinois and our pleasure to support St. Clair County in their efforts to secure the NGA relocation at the location near Scott Air Force Base.

On behalf of the people of Madison County, Illinois, please accept our gratitude for the integral role you and your team at the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency have in keeping our country, and our residents, safe. It is a pleasure and an honor to join Senator Richard Durbin, Senator Mark Kirk and members of the Illinois Congressional delegation, as well as elected officials and community leaders from throughout Southern Illinois, is supporting the site in St. Clair County, adjacent to Scott Air Force Base, for the location of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's Midwestern complex. While the proximity of St. Clair County's site to Scott Air Force Base is certainly beneficial, the St. Clair County site has numerous positive points. The acreage available at the site would permit future expansion, it is easily accessible to a major interstate and is less than 20 minutes from St. Louis, minimizing any negatives associated with relocating critically important operations. And, importantly, the site can easily be secured. If I can be of any service to you or the agency, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience. Again, thank you for your service and for your consideration of the site adjacent to Scott Air Force Base for the location of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's Midwestern complex.

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposal to locate the National Geospatial Agency in St. Clair County adjacent to Scott Air Force Base (SAFB). The St. Clair County Transit District (SCCTD) has been providing quality public transportation services to the citizens of St. Clair County for over thirty years. During that time we have invested over a half a billion dollars in facilities and equipment to ensure safe, efficient and affordable public transportation including the extension of the St. Louis regional light rail transit system known as MetroLink for nearly 22 miles, including 11 stations, from downtown St. Louis, MO to Scott Air Force Base. MetroLink service to Scott Air Force Base is provided daily from just after 4:00 a.m. until well after midnight at 12 minute intervals during peak hours and twenty minute intervals off-peak. SCCTD also operates two bus routes exclusively on Scott Air Force Base during weekdays with service from approximately 5:30 a.m. until around 6:00 p.m. Because of this substantial investment in public transportation infrastructure SCCTD is well positioned to provide a high level of public transportation service to SAFB and vicinity. Staff at the SCCTD stands ready to work with the appropriate individuals to help ensure that appropriate levels of service are provided to this potential new employer. If you have any questions or require additional information please contact me.

We don't want you here!

The economic impact of relocating within the City of St. Louis is preferable, tax base and jobs would be a positive impact - preserving tax base is key. Making North St. Louis move economically viable.

By this letter, the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics (Aeronautics) pledges our support in assisting the County of St. Clair in the development of new facilities for NGA in its effort to better serve its mission to provide timely, relevant and accurate geospatial intelligence support for our nation's security. Aeronautics has and continues to be a partner and co-sponsor with the County of St. Clair in the development of BLV. With additional stakeholders such as the US Department of Defense, Department of the Air Force (DOD) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), BLV can provide an attractive, useful and secure location for the proposed NGA facility. Ample compatible airport properties have been identified by BLV to construct initial NGA facilities and can provide for future expansion needs. The County of St. Clair, in concert with IDOT Division of Highways is constructing a new full access interchange on Interstate 64 that could provide convenient and easy access to the entire St. Louis metropolitan area. Aeronautics looks forward in working with the US Army Corps of Engineers, NGA, BLV and other stakeholders in the successful development and operation of the NGA facility. Aeronautics' point of contact on the EIS is Mr. Terrence Schaddel of my staff. If you have any questions, please contact him at (217)785-5177 (voice), or by facsimile at (217)785-4533 or via email at Terrence.Schaddel@illinois.gov.

<p>As the St. Clair County Board Chairman I am delighted to have a St. Clair County solely owned site as an option of interest for serving National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) needs for the new NGA West campus. The site is solely owned by St. Clair County and is currently managed by MidAmerica St. Louis Airport, also sponsored by St. Clair County. The 178 acres identified for NGA needs, which can easily be expanded for current or future needs, is easily developable as the current topography supports simple and flexible campus design. The site is safely buffered to the south by Scott AFB, to the west by a St. Clair County enforced Scott AFB clear zone, and to the east by MidAmerica St. Louis Airport interests which are, and will continue to be, in line with NGA needs should NGA select this site. In review of our historical handling of the site, the property is part of a virtually unlimited amount of land that can be made available. There are no expected geotechnical or environmental risks since the 1997 establishment of the airport since the FAA required all of those reviews at that time. The proposed site has extremely low development costs due to low land costs. There are extremely low infrastructure costs since the County will provide for getting utilities to the lot line. And there are low site developments due to the land contours and that also provide for energy efficiency opportunities with and solar effects. The proposed site is less than .5 miles from a new diamond interchange (exit 21 on Interstate 64) and less than 2 miles to the existing cloverleaf interchange (exit 19) that also serves the site. Interstate 64 is currently being widened from 4 to 6 lanes adjacent to both intersections. The forecasted Gateway Connector providing for a circumnavigation loop from Interstate 70 in the north to the Jefferson Barracks Bridge connecting South St. Louis County in the south will provide additional regional flow to the site. An existing access gate to Scott AFB (CCV Gate) is adjacent to the site. A Metrolink station currently exists approximately 2.5 miles from the site and a new MetroLink station is planned adjacent to the site. In the interim the St. Clair County Transit District will provide bus service to the site from the current station. They will submit a letter of support also. Most utilities currently exist at the site and St. Clair County will extend all needed utilities to the lot line and Scott AFB also has currently utilities that are near the site. The proposed site is compliant with our current Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) coordinated with Scott AFB and the surrounding sub municipalities. The site is also compliant with the Scott AFB Air Installations Compatibility Use Zone Criteria. The proposed site usage is compliant with current zoning. As a thriving Department of Defense supporting community the area hosts numerous amenities, housing and social activities enjoyed by all, especially for personnel at Scott AFB. Commute to this site would be opposite of normal St. Louis regional traffic and transit flows with many avenues of approach, quickly from all parts of the region. As the Chairmen of the St. Clair County Board I can confidently state to you that this County is in full support of any and all needs NGA would require. We have total County Board support to assist NGA in pursuing your goals to achieve a state of the art campus to host your needs and activities. Particularly I would note to you we can entertain many options when it comes to the acquisition of the land, which you already know is owned solely by St. Clair County. Should you have anymore information needs please contact me or the MidAmerica St. Louis Airport Director TIm Cantwell (director@flymidamerica.com or 618-566-5240)</p>	
<p>Great location at St. Clair Qualified workforce because of Scott, surrounding community and proximity to St. Louis Lower cost of living Ample room to accommodate growth in the facility or housing Solid transportation corridor No city tax Lower state income tax</p>	
<p>Of the choices of site (O'Fallon) St. Clair County seems to me to be the most logical site based on the location. Being next to Scott AFB has to be a huge plus especially regarding the benefit of security already existing at the base. The location is very near I-64 which will soon have a 2nd Interchange that would service the site.</p>	
<p>Having this organization at Scott AFB makes the most practical sense. As these two organizations work together today, but most importantly in the future as technology changes. Having this organization totally isolated makes no practical sense when support would be available at the AFB</p>	

Proximity to major customer: Scott AFB Proximity to transportation (I-64 and Metro)
A new NGA campus is exactly the type of facility Mid-America had in mind when they purchased the acreage around the joint-use facility. The proposed IL site has no fatal environmental flows nor demolition requirements which should be more cost effective to develop than the 3 Missouri sites.
Great location, secure area, new interchange off 64, next to Scott AFB, good highways, St. Clair County owns the land, area to expand, good housing and schools, bike trails, green space and open areas, the best of the 4 sites
I really think with the St. Clair County site, the idea that by having it here, traffic should not be an issue going east for those who live in Illinois as most who live over here travel west on I-64. Then when they were to go home, traffic should not be a problem for them going west on I-64 (This is under the assumption that they choose to continue living in Missouri) A concern I might have would be is parking (make it bigger). Is NGA going to do a better job with parking lot size (at any of these locations) than what is currently had at 2nd Street?
None at this time. Information at the meeting was well presented.
Traffic Socioeconomic Security benefits of being at SAFB
From a lost standpoint and a development perspective, Southwestern Illinois makes the most standpoint. The tract (owned by MidAmerica Airport) is in all likelihood, environmentally less in need of remediation (because it hasn't been developed before). SWIL has a ready workforce (adjacent to the IT corridor associated with the Scott Air Force Base), as NGA's footprint expands regionally. Infrastructural access (eastward from Lambert across the new Stan Musial Veteran's Bridge along I-55-70-64) makes access to the proposed St. Clair County site efficient. The St. Clair County sites locale in terms of national security is ideal (within a few miles of USTRANSCOM).
Dollars saved at St. Clair Co site.
Cost of commute for employees Security and safety of employees on commute and parking Community Support Financial impact on the area businesses
My hope would be that instead of just moving jobs, that there could be some creation of jobs. I would also like to see more local (St. Louis area) business contracted instead of disadvantaged businesses location in other states.
Impact and fit with infrastructure and community should be a major decision factor. Residents and businesses in and around the St. Clair County site are very supportive. No negative impacts to residents.
St. Clair site has much to offer. One government owned property with no property problems. Quality of life with excellent schools, low crime and excellent housing options. Great access.
Site is in a natural state, requiring little demolition. The current arterial roads support large volumes of traffic. So help with competing flow from Scott AFB, a new on-ramp would be good, but not a requirement.
Housing Costs I-64 Traffic
No concerns.
No concerns. This site should be perfect to develop exactly as needed.
If security is a major concern as I'm guessing it is, the St. Clair Co location is best. Not only is crime low in this area NGA would the added SAFB Force protection right next door. The comms infrastructure is established already making the move more cost effective. I would think taxpayer dollars are a concern.
The proximity to the Military customers
This is a comment about traffic flow; extend Frank Scott Parkway to RT 158 in order to facilitate traffic flow. One possibility would be to expand the Maple Street and incorporate FSP. Regardless of how it is done, it is critical that this traffic accessibility be accomplished.

It appears that the locations in St. Clair County meets the criteria established and afford security and potential for further growth with all areas around the property centrally. Public ownership of property will have ability to make faster decisions and offer more control.
Of all the sites, St. Clair Co. has the potential for keeping the grounds of the agency safe i.e. expand borders of Scott AFB to include NGA West. I think it's important to keep our government civil servants as safe as possible from any protests of an sort. I think that an agency such as NGA should be included, or near as possible to a military installation to make as secure as possible.
-Issues with environmental concerns -Concerned about labor pool and how far skilled workers will have to travel to fill these jobs -Concerned of the cost of the total project if this site is picked. Other sites offer more amenities without the negatives
None
-St. Clair County scores in upper 25 percentile for quality health care according to national county rankings -New hospital services are being developed in close proximity to proposed site increasing access for NGA employees -Collaboration between St. Clair Co public health and other emergency services with Scott AFB provides strong public health emergency response capacity for NGA employees and their families
I am very concerned that the area feels residential now, but with a lot of street closures, etc. the area will feel like a huge office park and its parking. I drive on North Market all of the time, and its the most convenient way to Jefferson for me. I have noticed that Pruitt Igoe as it provides trees and green space that cools the air and cleans it - both important things for a city full of bricks and pavement and with bad air quality. I am always concerned when this area is thought of as a "blank space" waiting to be filled. There are businesses, homes, churches, etc. both in the proposed area and the area surrounding it. It seems to be partially racism and partially that people/businesses/agencies with money thing they can move people who don't have as much power/money in the world. Also, I know people dismiss the thoughts I expressed in the last sentence, but it is not and won't be opinion alone - it will be perceived that way by many people. Lastly - some of the sites are already paved over land - build this thing there.
The potential loss of many acres of green space. Pruitt Igoe has become a literal lung for this area that noticeably improves air quality and temperature as well as neutral beauty to our area.
Employees leaving late at nigh along in their vehicles. Safety! However, hate to see you leave the city.
This place is a secret that you have found. I have been in this area for 25 years and have a business and apartment. It is a very convenient location from anywhere. The infrastructure is in dire need of improvement and to have a large development come in will help everyone in the area. It is very close to downtown. I have always felt this area was going to be developed. Now it will come true. Good luck!
Whether and how land currently occupied by residents is used.
Fairness to residents living area of site location. Progress is fine, but taking things belonging to someone else is against the law.
Make certain that anyone living in the designated, should they be asked to move, receive at least \$200,000 for their willingness to do so.
The location near the proposed Paul McKee site makes great sense for Missouri and Illinois residents.
I don't want to be thrown out of my home. I don't want eminent domain. My neighbors don't know anything about this plan to make this Geospatial Intelligence Agency.
As the state DOT, MODOT would like to review draft documents on traffic, wetland, flood plan, economic impact, etc.
The City of St. Louis, particularly the North side, has experienced more economic loss than any area in the region. We lost the GM plant, the Federal center and other major employers.

Transportation is an issue for those who use public transportation. The convenience of employees not moving to another community.
Fenton - Assurances that the majority is not in the flood plain and site is not contaminated. Mehlville - Size of site and usability of site. North St. Louis - How to deal with Cass Avenue, how to manage toxins from Pruitt-Igoe and residences and businesses in the area, possibly security; help community. St. Clair - Farmland, runoff from creek or toxins from farms, airfield or school, maybe easiest to develop.
The St. Clair County site is too far away for the majority of the workforce. North St. Louis City is away from a highway and unsafe.
Transportation options for employees
My main concern in the location is my personal safety both in travel to and from the location and while at the office. I will not trust a representative from our agency that verbally announces the site as safe.
Employee safety - violent crime. Critical infrastructure. Parking needs.
All sites but St. Clair would be fine - St. Clair would double mine and most workers' commutes. Southern sites are optimal in terms of surrounding development and safety to commuters.
Assuming that the neighborhood is as bad as some have made it out to be, off-site parking might be a good thought for those who carry concealed weapons for their safety driving through the area. Perform traffic pattern analysis based on the population distribution of the NGA workers to determine central locations to have the least impact.
1. Commute time for all employees and contractors. Finding a site that will minimize drive time for everyone could be a real boon to the environment and employees' and contractors' health due to reduced drive time. 2. A site that will be good for the health of employees. 3. Enough secured parking to support 90% of the daily workforce and other nearby parking as well.
Secure parking and route support for commute into new site. What Metro routes available, how much parking will be available.
Can 158 connector ("Gateway") be considered with IDOT/State of Illinois as a benefit to bringing NGA to SWIL? Would IDOT therefore take that part of EIS work away since they would be already doing it for their project?
Considering current conditions, the site with the worst traffic conditions is the Mehlville site. Current traffic flow is limited to one road (Tesson Ferry Rd.), which is already a very crowded road. My commute will be extended to the Mehlville site and I would not look forward to spending a large portion of the commute time sitting in traffic between I-270 and the facility.
Impact to community and development caused by a secure facility that is not unlike a prison with fencing in the middle of a larger development. Traffic considerations/connections of downtown site with major road running through the site.
Concerned with the additional time it would take to commute to St. Clair County; commute is already 40 minutes concerned with security at the North St. Louis site; concerned with the possible environmental issues at the Fenton site. There needs to be enough parking available for employees.
Traffic patterns approaching site as well as ingress egress to facility. Local shopping and dining options. Businesses and access to them. Security concerns for employees approaching and leaving facilities. Parking capabilities need to be heavily considered. Consider employee expansion too. Local park access such as biking/running/hiking for employee wellness (AFP).
NGA should not relocate to North St. Louis. 1) The area around the site is unsafe according to St. Louis City crime statistics. While the facility may be safe, the surrounding neighborhood is not. VIPS and personnel on 2nd or 3rd shifts would be in danger. 2) If the North St. Louis site is chosen, there needs to be parking for all employees, even if there are guests on base. No one would want to park off base in that neighborhood.

Where people live now should be a concern to the development of NGA West. I heard there was a study conducted about where current NGA employees live. With many baby boomers retiring I believe this study should be conducted with current NGA population. We need to understand where people are coming from.
Good physical security to prevent damage to government and personal property as the result of public unrest. Availability of rapid transit (Metrorail) or easy access to Metrorail. Availability of a location able to provide personal security so workers can come and go and in a location where the murder rate isn't 45 people (as of 8 Dec). Easy access to facility from interstate so traffic flows freely. Availability of sufficient parking to accommodate permanent employees and visitors. A location that can adequately protect top secret infrastructure and documentation. A location that has availability of telecommunications infrastructure at lowest cost. A location where employees don't have a 1% city tax. A location that has some open areas to accommodate conferences, conference displays, and the annual open house displays.
I prefer either of these sites. For the following reasons: Reduce commute times, reduce transportation expenses, ease of access, many amenities (retail etc.) in vicinity of either site.
Make sure there are no chemical plants in the area we need to breathe in clean air as much as possible.
The recent unrest in the North St. Louis area should be considered a huge security risk to NGA and its employees. The site would become a focal point for protest in issues of perceived civil liberty violations committed by the government. Also, historically moving a government facility to a poorer neighborhood has never improved the local economy. The North City location would be a disaster and a terrible waste of money.
It should take the overall impact on the U.S. Government. It seems as if the Scott location fits the needs for the Agency/U.S. Govt, but may be further for the workforce.
Is the Fenton site any different than the current location? (Railroad, river, highway...no chemical plant?)
1. Difficulty or ease of access for employees. This affects other non-NGA employees as well, since we will significantly impact traffic. Mehlville and North St. Louis would both significantly increase congestion. 2. Safety is a big concern for the North St. Louis site. On-site parking is a requirement, but even then, driving to/from work through an area where drive-by shootings occur would not make me feel safe. What would the walls be like, or would NGA be satisfied with just a fence? Please recall how concerned mgmt was for St. Louis during the Brown trial. This would put NGA in a risky neighborhood. 3. If at Scott AFB, will we have access to the base for dining, etc.?
I worry most about Fenton: 1) Environmental contamination; 2) Flooding from Meramec River; 3) Cost - New owner isn't going to let it go cheaply. Scott Air Force Base site needs direct access to Cardinal Creek Golf Course :). Encouraging news that we're seeking a waiver for 95% parking in North City site. Employee safety! Worry about traffic congestion at Mehlville site.
There are so many (NGA employees) who live on the Missouri side (in St. Louis and also the western suburbs) who would be greatly, negatively impacted by a decision to move to Scott Air Force base. I am currently building a house in Eureka, MO and this would increase my commute by 45 minutes, 1 hour at minimum, enough to make me consider leaving NGA. The other three sites are so much more centrally located, and so much more fair to the NGA employees who are residents of Missouri, especially given that the bridges over the Mississippi are traffic funnel already and perpetually under construction. The site in North St. Louis is in a very unsafe area, and also an area that would create a traffic bottleneck. Downtown doesn't need more congestion and I-64 and I-70 are already nightmarish at rush hour. Please, please take into account the average daily commute of the majority of NGA's workforce and how much more time they'll spend in traffic, as this impacts everything from health to family time to stress levels. I love living in Missouri and don't want to sell my dream house to be able to keep my job, but I can't sit in traffic for two hours (at minimum) per day! As an aside, a child care facility onsite would be the greatest amenity that could be included! :)

Fenton - Will public transportation be accessible to this site? Mehlville - Metro has a bus that stops in front of this building. Will times be modified for this bus for people using this public transportation? (Right now it runs at select times). St. Clair County - Metro has a train that stops at Scott Air Force base? Will a shuttle be provided to take people to NCW? North St. Louis - Will Metro extend bus service to accommodate a stop for this location?
Safety and traffic - Parking is a very large concern amongst employees. Please include enough parking for all employees.
Safety: to and from worksites chosen. Prior uses of the chosen sites might have left pollutants in the ground. Will there be extensive ground and water samples? Parking!
I am concerned about the added fuel that I would personally use if the St. Clair County site is selected (approximately 25 extra miles). I personally recommend the Mehlville site, or the Fenton site.
Crime rate. Transportation, easy access. School district. Housing for employees. Environmental issues (water, air, noise). Child care.
This site is the most geographically remote location as it relates to the St. Louis metro area. Placing the new campus at the extreme will increase a number of commutes, thus increasing fuel consumption and carbon emissions. Recommend a location as close to the geographic center of the city as possible to evenly distribute.
Safety should be very high on the priority list.
The St. Clair site is the only site where it isn't feasible for me to make a commute. I currently live 40 miles west of downtown St. Louis and the added distance to the Scott AFB area would create too much wear and tear on my vehicle and increase travel times to an unacceptable level. Bottom line for me is only the distance from the St. Louis center. I have no issues with any of the other sites. The study should include/factor in where most of the employees currently live and the effects this location will have on them.
I read in an attachment from my management that Corps of Engineers will site the main building with the main entrance to the south, presumably to maximize solar heating. While I value that goal, the more important criterion would seem to be standoff distance because the North St. Louis site is elongated in the north-south direction, it occurs to me that the building should be long in that same direction, meaning the main entrance should face east or west.
Yes, the Fenton site and Scott AFB site, in particular. Find Fenton site to be too close to major interstate system that could make a highly populated place of business to be at risk for bombing, and part of the site being in the flood plain only limits the site more. The Scott AFB site is 2,000 feet from a major interstate system that will make a facility of high security to be too conspicuous. This is especially a concern being the main building is expected to be five stories high with 3-5 story high parking structure. I would be more respectful of this site if it were to be planted south of Scott AFB, not north of it.
Please be sure that all sites have multiple routes, look for choke points (in the event of an accident/construction at a key bridge/interchange will access be restricted). Please include ample parking, learn from parking garage mistakes at NCE. Do sites already have direct public transportation service, if not will bus routes be adjusted to provide it.
Cooperation/coordination with North City redevelopment. On-site childcare?
This site would significantly increase my commute and the gas I would buy. It's pretty far from my current residence and I'd pollute our atmosphere more than I do now. I would not take the MetroLink or carpool.
Off-base parking be safe and available. Ability to get to the site without a traffic maze.
What would happen if the neighborhood doesn't improve and the building is built here? Concerns about crime. Concerns about funneling workforce into the facility. Commute from home. IL is a bit far.
1. Crime around proposed site? 2. Population density of immediate area?

1. My concern over the North St. Louis site involves traffic/transportation, not only of workers moving in and out of the area, this also concerns road maintenance during icy/winter weather and also the amount of non-NGA traffic traveling past this facility. Right now we are also in an area where most traffic is limited to a working community and we are surrounded by businesses. North St. Louis is in a residential area, with residential traffic. I feel it is less controlled, and probably less patrolled if you found that each business near NGA now have their own security contingency. I am also very upset to hear this is a Paul McKee development. He is not known for his honesty when it comes to real estate transactions. Security offsite and you have to get there first, this area is troubled. 2. Fenton - I just don't know why, other than size, a site near a major highway and river are on the list since one of the reasons for moving us that our current site does not meet the security needs of NGA.
Look at where the overall workforce lives in relationship to sites. See impact of each site with new driving pattern. Regarding North St. Louis site, there seems to be a lot of housing surrounding the site location. Who lives there? How safe would a new facility be there? Demographics of area?
I am really concerned about the safety regarding the North St. Louis site. This site is in a bad area that we would have to commute through - often in the dark. No matter how good security is, it won't help us outside the compound. I look at what is happening in Ferguson and think that could easily happen in the area of North St. Louis site. Also, coming from the south site, you can't get from 44/55 to 64 west, making the site harder to get to. Finally, as the only site within city limits, its the only site where I'd have to continue paying the city taxes.
Economic impact. Obviously wherever we move, businesses and infrastructure will benefit. Fenton is closer to me but North St. Louis will likely see the greatest benefits.
1. Choose a site close to existing location - North St. Louis. 2. Public transportation - Currently only site with bus route is North St. Louis. 3. Redevelop land - This excluded the St. Clair County site. 4. Consider proposed redevelopment around the North St. Louis City site when choosing. Think of future state of the area rather than its past.
North St. Louis - 2 separate sites will double the security concerns. North St. Louis/Mehlville - Further distance from highways.
I think the agencies conducting the NEPA should be very wary of using mass transit as a key factor when recommending particular sites. St. Louis' mass transit is an event-based system, with linear lines connecting popular locations or attractions. I would not consider it a true commuting system, where the many neighborhoods using it would have easy access to the system, both in beginning and terminating points. What is more important, to me, is ease of access of interstate highways, as this is most common method of commute in St. Louis.
1 - Where your workforce lives. I bought in the city to have a short commute to the current site. Note, as a city resident, I have a vesting interest in keeping the location in the city. But, most of your workforce lives south on the 55 corridors, or west on the 44 corridor. At the two south sites, commuters would be moving opposite the usual traffic flow (into the city in the morning, out in the evening). Those two sites would shorten the commute of anyone living beyond the river and not be too much worse for most others. The North City site forces everyone on both the 44 or 55 corridors past the Poplar Street Bridge. The Bridge traffic backup every morning (on a good day). On a bad day (rain, snow, ice, bridge repair, accidents, etc.) it routinely backs up past Arsenal Street. Think about how it would affect 24/7 operations if your workforce is stuck in traffic.
Future traffic projections of all sites are concerning. Stand off distance from public including line of sight analysis. Impact to employees and commute.
Parking - Where the workforce lives and see where the majority of people are and coming from.

Fenton: Environmental cleanup would be costly and time consuming. From a security perspective, having an industrial complex as a next door neighbor (recent purchase) would not be a good idea. Mehlville: I-270 and Tesson Ferry traffic would be horrible, right in the middle of houses (like Arnold) and no room for growth and expanding mission. North St. Louis: Major safety and security concerns, not only from the immediate area, but the potential for weapons being used from tall buildings in the area. Scott AFB: The best choice by far. No gridlock concerns for traffic; safety and security are optimized plus military security and base DOD police could assist in mutual aid situations; No environmental cleanup required; and no deconstruction required like at all three other sites. Pulling concrete slabs in Fenton, leveling the current building in Mehlville, and the same for houses in North St. Louis would also require debris to be disposed of.
Please keep the site in Missouri! The NGA workforce purchased their homes knowing that their worksite was in Missouri! Most of the Missouri-based NGA workforce has zero desire to work in Illinois.
If NGA moves to the Scott AFB location, who will provide security to the premises? Will the Air Force gate the area and provide screening of all vehicles or will NGA fund that?
Traffic - North St. Louis; Safety - North St. Louis; Flooding - Fenton; Location (right next to highway) - Fenton; Already a secure area - St. Clair County
Parking is absolutely key. NCE got messed up by design. 2nd Street was awful before additional parking was obtained. Easy access would be next. No matter what site is chosen, most of the workforce would commute by car. 2nd Street is especially fortunate in having easy access from the North, West and South.
1. This is a long term study. I am concerned that over time one of these will no longer be available to NGA. 2. Politics! The best site may not be selected but rather the site that benefits the strongest politician.
Overall, from an NGA employee perspective, the Mehlville and St. Clair County sites make the most sense, considering employee access and safety. The North St. Louis site is like a demilitarized zone in a run-down, dangerous area and is not close enough to I-70. The Mehlville and St. Clair Co. sites are in open areas, allowing more seclusion and controlled access.
I need public transportation to cover the shifts NGA works including accommodating 24x7 shifts and guaranteed ride home program. I have used public transportation for 4 years and do not own a car, so this is an important issue for me. I have concerns over potential flooding at St. Clair and Fenton sites. If flooding can occur, it probably will. I have concerns over the N-S traffic flows from I-70/I-64 along Jefferson, but otherwise believe this would do much to develop the Saint Louis area (city).
I do not want to go to North St. Louis. We will be leaving one ghetto for another. I do not want to work near Ferguson. Fenton or Mehlville are great. I live in that area. Very safe. St. Clair is OK, but I live in MO.
St. Clair County - This site is too far from our current location. It will add a significant amount of drive time. North St. Louis - The location is in a crime ridden area. There is no easy/fast/safe way to get to the interstate. I have safety concerns for all shifts but especially for employees that leave late at night. Are they going to build a fortress around the facility? What happens when we leave for the day? Our police force will be the only ones able to defend themselves when they leave/arrive.
Because the Illinois site is located between two existing airport runways, are runway clear zone requirements addressed in the EIS? How are all appropriate aviation agencies (FAA, USAF, IDOT) notified of EIS being conducted? Is the EIS based off statistical data only as it relates to North St. Louis crime and safety issues? Are the real safety concerns of the NGA workforce over a possible North City site being looked at and addressed as part of the site selection process?
Traffic flow is a must. Also emergency services, locations to the different sites.

St. Louis' crime rate is much too high. I believe that the Fenton site is well located for the majority of NGA employees. St. Clair County is too far east for the majority of NGA employees. Mehlville would be another good location.
Meet and talk with NGA engineering; also with contracted maintenance. Maintenance crews know what features would be helpful for the future. Most adaptable building; conduits and raceways. Seismic concerns in relation to NCE; survivability. Build using local work force, minority participation. Best for agency but also best for public good.
The St. Clair County site has the best standoff. There is too much congestion in the other areas. The fact that there is also public transportation at St. Clair County is also a plus.
Very bad area (North STL), safety, St. Clair Co. seems to be the best choice.
Crime and security at North St. Louis. If the site is to be safe, you would literally have to build a highway exit with a direct ramp to N.C.W. Stopping at a traffic light at 2 a.m. in North City is not going to happen. Scott Air Force Base: Please obtain actual demographics of where the 3K NGA employees (include Arnold as well) live and make that information public! We all know moving to Scott can and will result in attrition. Please consider that the Fenton site would best enable expansion and consolidation of the Arnold site should that become necessary in the future.
Appreciate today's event and all actions to keep the workforce up to date and informed.
Fenton - Too close to Meramec and to I-44 and vulnerable to terror attack as with current location. Parking size? Also restaurant proximity? North City - Restrictive side streets - vulnerable to civil unrest, restaurant proximity?
None
No
For the St. Clair site - consider the public transportation from the current MetroLink stop to the NGA site. On-base shuttle or St. Clair County bus would be nice.
North St. Louis - Crime rate and secure parking, lack of nearby restaurants and shopping. No direct access from hwys. SAFB seems to be the best choice govt. Already owns the land, force protection is already in place, state of IL is building an off-ramp directly off I-64 to proposed NGA location. All amenities are available on base or nearby.
Location is one of my main concerns. Safety as far as location is the most important, low crime, plenty of parking.
Amount of parking proposed, local restaurants within the area, ease of access.
Hoping the emphasis for selection will be placed on existing supporting infrastructure - for security, communication and transportation. Of special importance are sites connected to public transportation.
Commute through depressed areas (North St. Louis), impact on commute length for employees (Scott), security of location/facility (North St. Louis)
Re: Ferguson - Social unrest nearby and surrounding. How will this impact our security, safety, and traffic?
I don't understand why the North St. Louis site is split. This makes me worry of being in a bad neighborhood worse. I do not want to walk between the two areas.
Traffic increases or decreases across bridges if moved to St. Clair County should be taken into consideration. Personal safety is an issue for North St. Louis (crime), because employees may need to stop in the local area entering or exiting. There would need to be enough parking on base for everyone. It would also be interesting to see geographically where current employees live in relation to these sites, and impacts to highways.

North City: Is it safe? Will employees feel safe going out to lunch? What about other buildings that are high-rises? Will there be a chance they could look into our buildings? The Mehlville site looks to be a good choice - off of the main road (Tesson Ferry) but still near the highway and those commuting from Illinois. Additional services at the sites? Daycare? Nail salon? Barber shop?
Average employee commute times? Security (personal) for some sites?
I'm very interested in seeing NGA come to IL! Moving out of St. Louis City would constitute a "pay raise" for the employees since the 1% tax would be dropped. What services will be provided in the new building? Will there be a parking garage? What will the building look like?
Fenton - Not enough transportation opportunities. Mehlville - Seems like there's no growth ability in the future. North St. Louis City - Seems like a security nightmare. St. Clair County - Where can I eat?
My main concern is with the North St. Louis site in regards to the potential traffic, lack of local businesses and restaurants, safety, and the economic impact of the 1% income tax on the NGA workforce.
North St. Louis - Safety issues, no safe local amenities, no safe traffic routes. Fenton - Good/plenty local amenities, very safe, close to highways.
I think the Fenton site is the best location for a new NCW building. It is a central location for all employees who lives all over St. Louis. It has room for safety, security, space for future expansion if needed. I also think the Scott Air Force location is a good one. It also has a MetroLink station there which is good for some employees. This should be a 2nd choice.
Fenton - easy access, safe area, close commute, local amenities. Mehlville - Hwy 21 traffic, safe area, local amenities. N. St. Louis - Traffic local streets, not safe area, no local businesses. St. Clair - long commute, most employees live south and west St. Louis, isolated location, no local businesses.
My main concern is security. My secondary concern is traffic. Third, parking. My hope is that NCW will not be treated as NCE with trying to be green and only provide enough parking for a percentage of the population. It seems that we don't have the public transportation infrastructure to support that approach for any site. Thank you.
1. North St. Louis - Bad location, near extremely high crime area; I've lived in St. Louis County 45 years - I'd be afraid to even stop for gas in daylight in that area. NO employees would live in that area, no local neighborhood facilities. 2. St. Clair County - Highest income tax and gas taxes in midwest. The most corrupt state government in USA. Trial lawyers love it here. 3. Mehlville nice site but prefer Fenton. Nice area to live, local facilities intact since Chrysler closed. Can be downtown for Cardinals or Rams game in ~ 20 minutes.
Will homeowners be able to continue to live in the area needed for the government project?
While I support this facility staying in the City of St. Louis, I think it is profoundly unfair for the people of this neighborhood to bear the cost.
High rates of crime big concern, prefer low crime rate. I have asthma and prefer the location with the best air quality and least air pollution. Least traffic. Most security conscientious.
Crime rates at North St. Louis. Ease of access into North St. Louis. Distance of St. Clair site, forcing most NGA employees to cross the bridge into IL everyday.
North St. Louis - I am very concerned about the safety issues around the site and using surface streets for a long distance. Seems like a large traffic impact on the area. Fenton - Just too far for a majority of employers - environmental cleanup is probably an issue. St. Clair - I would like to see a Metro shuttle through base.
presently this site is taxed at a commercial level, which provides revenue to the Mehlville School District & Mehlville Fire Protection District. If the Air Force owns this (or any) property will there be a loss of tax revenue?

Green space, traffic impact, security and the impact of residential neighbors. The socioeconomic impact on small business in the area, as well as restaurants, etc.
I am concerned with how building such a large structure will dramatically shift the neighborhood feel of the area. Such a large building with fencing, parking lots, disruption of the flow of traffic. Also I have personal concerns over the work that will be done in the facility. I don't believe in the use of drones and the way weapons are used in this country particularly by the military and police which is why I find it disturbing to have such a facility in my own backyard.
I think the Fenton site offers some opportunities that none of the other sites would offer. The central location in the region, proximity to two major highways. The Hwy 44 corridor is the least congested highway in the region. I have lived in the FENTON community for 25 years and my business has been located in Fenton for 10 years and Fenton is a great community that offers diverse housing options and a multitude of businesses.
I think NGA should remain in Missouri for revenue reasons. While it would benefit the city to retain the funding NGA currently brings to the city, given the less-than-desirable neighborhood location in North city, personnel security and the ability to recruit and retain employees is of great concern. The Mehlville location would require the removal of an existing facility as the buildings on site are not appropriate for the agency, which impacts the environment with waste disposal. The Fenton site seems most ideal with ease of access and lack of a facility to remove, and personnel security concerns are minimal. The St. Clair site would result in not only the move of a facility, but in the move of residents to the other side of the river, resulting in the loss of residential income and business income. This would be a LARGE impact to the environment and the economy. On the Illinois side new homes would be built, also impacting the environment. Personnel security at the St. Clair site would be that there would be an extremely large population of federal/government employees and target interest for terrorists in mid-America.
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The final structure should incorporate Green technologies to maximize non carbon based fuel sources. For example, incorporate solar and wind power to augment passive heating needs. Utility concerns should include fiber optic cabling to maximize security and functionality. At the Mehlville site, special consideration should be given to impact on highway 21 traffic. Given its smaller acreage, there should be structured parking considered. Both current sites have not considered handicap accessibility to all floors, elevators, hallway widths, bathrooms, parking spaces to some of the employees. There should be a survey of current employees to indicate where those shortcomings currently exist so that the new design can overcome those limitations. An example, is providing footplates to activate door and elevator access, not just waist level plates. Classrooms should not limit w/c students to the back of the room by having ramps instead of stairs in the auditorium sized classrooms. Nurses offices should have both sufficiently wide doorway entrances and doorways to examination rooms as well as bathrooms to accommodate wheelchairs, as well as scooters. The O'Fallon site will require the most amount of infrastructure: utilities, parking areas, water, etc. Keep in mind that this site is the most distant from the Arnold office and would increase the separation of the two work force sites. There is already some lack of camaraderie between them even though there is only a highway difference between the two sites. Crossing state lines will exacerbate this sense of community. The loss of team work decreases the efficiency and efficacy of the mission.
please weight the 25 mile distance buffer from the weighted average centroid of existing point locations of employees rather than a simple 25 mile radius around the 2nd street site.

I have worked at NGA for 6 years, those years have been tough. I moved from another state to take employment with NGA, and have bought my house South of Arnold. The Melville site and the Fenton site are the consensus of my division AIRTS. I and several other of my co workers are in agreement that if we have to choose the North County choice or Scott AFB we will look for other employment. The crime in the "North county" area is terrible, if i had to choose i would choose to stay at the building 36. The traffic going to the North County area would be unbelievable, it is bad now. there is no way that we will be able to have 100% of the employees parked on campus. and parking off campus there would be dangerous. Even the business close down at dusk. Plus we would still have to pay the 1% tax to just work in the city with out ANY benefit. Even at our building now the roads and surrounding areas leave a lot to be desired of and getting the roads fixed when they have holes is impossible. The city never has any funds for infrastructure.... As far as Scott AFB I would have over and hour drive to work one way. I just bought my house and my son is 16 and i do not want to uproot him and move.
I believe that resources being invested in areas like North St. Louis that have been so neglected by recent urban development should be focused on meeting the needs of the people who live in those neighborhoods as well as serving a greater purpose to build up the community. Instead of resources going to the building of the GSA, I would like to resources going toward the construction of affordable housing and connecting people to jobs. I will not be happy to see the GSA located in this or any neighborhood as I believe it to be, as it currently exists, a tool of hurting people through its support of military drones and other such programs.
3 of the sites are previously developed private properties that may contain environmental pollution. I don not believe public monies should be used to remediate private development concerns. The sites should be remediated/demolished using private funds.
Due to the inclusion of the North St Louis city as a potential site I believe it is imperative to include crime rates in the study. Additionally, I would like the availability of mass transit . . . specifically the light rail to be factored into the equation. One last factor is the proximity to Interstate ramps
This area needs real jobs for local neighbors, NOT military installations. I do NOT want this in my neighborhood.
I am hoping the location chosen is close to Scott AFB. I would feel better about the National Security of that location compared to the other locations. NGA could be better protected there.
I'm concerned about the increase in traffic volume. Are there plans to widen the intersection of Frank Scott Pkwy and Greenmount Rd?
The study should prioritize finding a site that does not require the removal of any homes and has the least affect on the surrounding neighborhood.
NOT AT THIS TIME
The proximity of the St Clair County location to Scott AFB would capitalize on the existing infrastructure (facility support like fire, police, and medical) as well as networks (DITCO and DISA) would seem to be more favorable than the proposed Missouri locations, and the ability to leverage other DOD assets and capabilities should be included in the study.
St. Clair County, with its affiliation of Scott Air Force Base, is an ideal location. For folks able to relocate, the cost of living is more reasonable than St. Louis. For current employees, while there would obviously an increase in their commute, the advantages of this location (adjacent to Scott AFB) for the NGA are immense.
I'm very concerned about the idea of putting the new NGA compound in North St Louis. This area has been blighted due to a history of racism in our city. The people of the neighborhood that is rebuilding slowly don't want a giant compound placed in the middle of our area cutting off streets and bringing in outside workers. If this was democratic at all, we the people that live in the affected areas would have say over whether or not the NGA compound would go in our area. Instead it seems like people with power want to keep doing what they want to those

without power. It feels like colonialism all over again. Think about that before settling in our area.
I do not want this facility in my neighborhood.
I'm curious about any assessments of where the current employees live - and whether this particular site would be convenient or the most strategic for them, and longer-term, I'm curious whether any current or future employees would be interested in moving into the City (or specifically, neighborhoods such as Old North St. Louis), where they could be closer to work and perhaps even able to commute in shorter period of time without needing a car. On a related note, I'd like to see the Federal government take the initiative to pursue new development in a manner that is consistent with what other Federal agencies, such as EPA and HUD's sustainable development programs promote, including building within existing areas rather than promoting sprawl.
The impact on an already isolated and disenfranchised area of the city, largely owned by another (single!) person who does not live there.
The study should consider crime in the areas of interest. I asked the engineers and consultants regarding the focus areas of the study and all said that crime rates in the area around the selected sites was not a factor of consideration nor a part of their impact study. Employees have a right to feel safe when going to / from work. Likewise, regardless of any potential social-economic improvements to an area, they may be negated if employees do not feel safe in the surrounding area. Similarly, while politics may influence the agency's decision to remain in the city, the agency should consider the negative impact the additional tax has on NGA employees. Employees would like the opportunity to work in an area that does not levy an additional tax upon them; their colleagues in the east are not negatively affected financially in the same manner. And while one might argue the cost of living is higher in the east, they are compensated for that higher cost of living. The cost of living is not adjusted for employees who work in the city of St Louis. The cost of living allowance would be the same whether NGA located to any of the potential sites - the only negative aspect is that the downtown site imposes an additional tax on those employees. The city has not proven to be good stewards of that additional tax revenue over the years. Most businesses have left the area and crime has risen significantly. NGA should consider these factors and not put politics ahead of the safety and well-being of its employees.
This site would be create economic development for the North City area. Create public private partnership in the STL region Maintain tax base in the City of St. Louis. Maintain 3000 jobs in the StL region 22nd Street connector - connecting North/South Transportations - connecting north/south - east/west - Highway 70/44/40 and 55/Stan Musial Bridge
Impact of new jobs for the unemployed, relocating individuals who currently living in proposed site, if relocated how will they be compensated, will existing homes remain and be worked around or will deveoper need the entire site to complete the site for the NGA Campus.
Impact on communities immediately surrounding development site. Will jobs be available to local residents? Will there be any additional investment into the community? How will NGA interact with the local community? Will there be education/training opportunities or partnerships with local schools and agencies?
Concerns regarding the urban fabric with such a large facility. Additional concerns with current land owners and their displacement. Scott AFB seems the most logical option.
How much impact on highway traffic and how well the metrolink would be utilized (if moving to Scott Airforce Base)

Traffic in the vicinity of the proposed work site needs to be given much consideration. I am familiar with the traffic patterns around each of the Missouri site (I am not very familiar with the roads and traffic in St. Clair) and I am worried that both North St Louis and St. Clair sites will create an excessive burden on St Louis roads. The North St Louis location requires a significant amount of travel on busy city streets and St Clair would require increasing the burden on the bridges crossing the Mississippi (my understanding is that the majority of NGA's 2nd street workforce resides in Missouri). Either of the southwest locations would remove traffic from the morning and evening rush hours. Saint Louis is notorious for its burdened highways. Choosing either Fenton or Mehlville would help lighten the load of rush hour traffic.
what are the most important considerations when comparing the different sites? Is one of them the overall impact and importance the new development may have on the entire surrounding community versus a simple decision on land?
The potential economic and social development impact could be very important for North St. Louis at a critical moment in our history. The great supply of young college educated people from SLU, Washington University and UMSL would be a great asset to the future project here. I am very hopeful that you all will stay in the St. Louis area and specifically, in a tangential way, provide a great boost to an urban area in great need.
Just go ahead with your plan
All positive for IL
Scott is 35 miles from Lambert and almost 40 miles to the Arnold location, too far for convenience of large visitor and official travel programs, plus thousand more cars would have to cross the bridges to get to IL from MO.
Traffic plan at stoplight on Scott/Troy Road and Hwy 50 where facility may be built. That corner clogs up horribly during am and pm release times already with the Scott AFB traffic. With the added influx of vehicles, it will need to be widened or greatly engineered to handle increased volume.
Impact on school district space for those families moving into the community. traffic impact on exit 19A. Traffic is very congested now in mornings and evenings when SAFB shifts change. Would hwy 158 be widened? What additional retail/commercial development will be needed to support this many new workers in area? Suggestion to close the Caseyville Gun Club in Mascoutah that resides next to runways at midamerica. Having this located at current spot seems concerning, but if NGA is built this business should be considered for closing or relocation.
Availability and collaboration with existing government offices within close proximity.
What impact will this have on local school districts? Does the transportation grid in this area have sufficient capabilities to handle the increased traffic?
Concerns of people who live in or near the suggested site. Traffic issues.
How a new site might affect the number of vehicle-miles traveled per day by NGA employees commuting to and from work and the resulting environmental effects.
Saint Louis should VERY carefully consider the impacts of having NGA move to north city. Yes it needs development and jobs, but where are the people who will work there commuting from??? How will that impact traffic considering saint Louis has terrible public transit (it doesn't go anywhere in the city.... Just to Illinois..wait what?) the consequences that building a suburban type facility in the MIDDLE of our city will bring. Just a few things slay should have thought about before giving you the keys to the city and letting you do what you will with it. For a city to survive it has to keep its street grid. Taking 136 acres and destroying all streets will profit the city nothing. STL needs jobs but the residents of the city should consider looking for a job before they claim "disability" and feed off of the U.S. Government like a leech. They should not expect food stamps and rent paid in full by the people who already protect them.

Four questions 1. Is there a way for this site to list out questions people ask and show the responses? 2. How does the interstate modification at the Scott AFB mile mark 20 on Interstate 64 affect the decisions? 3. How does the establishment of the DISA facility near the proposed NGA location affect the decisions (assuming NGA connects a lot to DISA). 4. Does the EIS include the actual use/connections that NGA use?
I have no big concerns except easy access without traffic jams to and from the interstate is imperative.
create a model comprehensive plan that generates real economic opportunities for low-to-moderate income families
Additional economic benefits will revitalize near north side areas. Please build with LEED specifications (windmills on roof, solar panels, water program with MSD, garden on roof, etc., etc., etc.).
New article re: most homicides in St. Louis: http://www.kmov.com/news/crime/Most-homicides-in-St-Louis-City-occur-between-I-64-and-I-70-285309801.html
Crime rates in the area, traffic congestion, public transportation availability AND safety, ease of access to the facility during public unrest OR disaster.
Having worked at NGA and lived in St. Louis for ten years, I have several thoughts that should be considered during the planning process. One, consider proximity to NGA Arnold and cost savings associated with reducing commute between the two locations, as well as potential for reduced force protection costs associated with being able to better leverage the NGA Police Force. Second, consider power and communications infrastructure that is already in place from previous site tenants. Third, consider community infrastructure, services and traffic patterns. Some sites already have a community infrastructure in place as well as the ability to handle traffic influx that would support a good quality of life for NGA employees with limited negative impact to area residents.
Crime and violence
The crime and violence levels in the North St. Louis area.
Not only the economic impact of such a facility in the St. Clair County region but also the effects on infrastructure such as traffic, parking, and things of that nature.
The Chrysler site seems to be an ideal location with good accessibility to all the major highways and it would seem that there is enough property to be able to adequately secure the facility.
I hope the study will cover the issue of density for the North St. Louis site. Because the population of St. Louis has eroded so severely over the past 60 years, there has been a strong tendency towards suburban style sprawling developments inside of the city limits due to the large amount of space. This unfortunately limits the potential for the city to return eventually to its former urban character. While North St. Louis of course desperately needs investment, a 136 acre office park is not an urban design. I am thus concerned about the long term impact of such a development in regards to maintaining the urban character of our city.
Accessibility from major highways.
I live and work near this proposed site. I am originally from Canada but have been here for about a year.
This is the best location with its proximity to downtown and being centrally located in the region. This also has the potential to revitalize some of the neighborhoods surrounding the site. My only concern is the amount of land it encompasses. A more condensed version would benefit the area even more.
So NGA's most recent photo of the St. Louis skyline is from before 2006? The photo on the public comment websites shows Busch stadium II.

<p>Fenton and Mehlville are the most acceptable sites. Fenton has traffic problems that should place Mehlville as the most logical choice. Scott and the proximity to the approach end of the runway is unacceptable. Business Continuity Planning should rule out the Scott site since any airborne threat or action would place it in imminent danger. North St Louis has the proximity to Lambert that creates the same inherent problem. Goes beyond aesthetics, air traffic and proximity to flight paths create expensive and difficult barriers to a first class facility.</p>
<p>Any planning should fully involve surrounding leaders. This cant be built like large office buildings in the suburbs. If this is planned correctly we have an opportunity to restore density and a neighborhood anchor while not eliminating the neighborhoods style.</p>
<p>I am concerned the site in North St. Louis takes up too much space for the number of employees and amount economic activity it will bring.</p>
<p>Close to I-64; adjacent to Scott AFB and significant customers; employees would be financially unmolested by city taxes; low or non-existent crime; low traffic congestion and on-site employee parking; new Veteran's Memorial Bridge and new I-64 renovations provides direct I-70/I-64 commute at speeds of 65 mph for the majority of the drive. It is also near the Mid-America Airport and to Metro Link commuter train stations with direct access to all points STL, including the STL Airport.</p>
<p>NGA should cut ties with MO, with everything that is going on it's not a safe environment.</p>
<p>Commute times and possible family relocation if the St. Clair County option is selected. Although located within 50 miles of the current 2nd street wok site most families live far west of 2nd street, some up to 60 min commute time. Adding an additional 30 min commute by going further east to St. Clair County puts a huge burden on workforce families. People would be forced to choose between a very long commute and moving to Illinois. For this reason I don't think the St. Clair County option serves the interests of the NGA employees and their families. Additionally, this site would serve as a deterrent to NGA employees located outside of the Saint Louis region who would otherwise consider relocation to the NGA Campus West.</p>
<p>Security (Rail roads, rivers, deterant access from major highways).</p>
<p>Our late father, Thomas C. Finnie, was Technical Director of ACIC. In 1972, after 21 years in St. Louis, he helped create the Defense Mapping Agency (now NGA) and was its first Deputy Director and Chief. In 2014, Dad's name was added to Arthur Lundahl's to create the annual USGIF Arthur C. Lundahl–Thomas C. Finnie Lifetime Achievement Award.</p> <p>Dad was very committed to his professional work and his career. He also took a keen interest in his community and instilled in both of us the importance of community citizenship. We recall when we were teenagers the campaign for an Earnings Tax for people who worked in St. Louis City. Although we lived in Kirkwood, Dad told us he was in favor of this proposal because, "it is the right thing for St. Louis and the area."</p> <p>We believe he would evaluate the four proposed sites for the NGA West campus first on their technical merits for getting the job done (including NGA staff considerations) and second on the impact on the St. Louis region. While no one, and certainly not us, ever spoke for Dad, we believe the North St. Louis City site best meets both the technical requirements for the organization and Dad's test, "It's the right thing to do for the community."</p>
<p>I am an NGA employee who already submitted my comments at the original comments session at NGA - but forgot to mention concerns I had with the Scott / Mid-America site in Illinois. Judging from the overlay; it looked like the site was fairly small and was crammed into an area between a major interstate and an end of a major runway. This would be a safety and terrorism concern. Proximity to a major interstate - as with the Fenton site - would provide ease of access to terrorism incidents. Being so close to an end of a runway would not only cause concern for safety because of an aviation incident - but it would also provide ease of access for any possible 9/11 type incident with planes/the runway/facility at right at the end of a runway - to come in for a landing with a target right there. One of the reasons for re-locating the facility was</p>

that the current one did not meet the safety criteria for counteracting this concern. At least in regard to this; it would be pointless to relocate to this location (just as with the Fenton site).
I fully support this project it would be boom to the Ofalon area.
I was born and raised on the northside. This sound as if the development would be a success bringing jobs. However, what about bringing this northside neighborhood back with homes, stores, schools and let us have a community again. I look forward to seeing the houses built, stores and schools in the community.
I strongly encourage the NGA Selection Committee to choose the St. Louis City site as the new location for NGA West campus. Once home to Pruitt-Igoe, the failed federal housing project, selecting this site would mitigate the environmental impact of that demolition and become a catalyst for redeveloping north St. Louis city. Please turn this eyesore into a valuable community asset. You can do this by selecting the St. Louis city site.
The Fenton site would be an ideal location for your new home. It was formerly the home of the Chrysler Corporation and more than 6000 workers a day made a living here, so a firm of your size should easily be accommodated by this site. If you stand at the front entrance of the site, you can see the kinds of facilities you are looking for: restaurants, gas stations, daycare, and within a few miles there are hospitals, fire stations, retail shopping, libraries, parks, golfing and bike trails. The site is located on Interstate 44 and has several rail lines running into it. In addition, several other major highways are within 20 miles of the site: I-64, I-70, I-270, I-255 and I-55. The St. Louis region is also becoming a hub for high tech companies.
I am writing this letter of support on behalf of the Southern Illinois Builders Association for St. Clair County's efforts to secure the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) West Facilities at the site near Scott Air Force Base (SAFB). The Southern Illinois Builders Association (SIBA) was founded in 1945 and is an organization that is comprised of over 500 companies representing the prime contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and related businesses that are involved in commercial construction in the 39 counties of Southern Illinois. The mission of the organization is to advance the construction industry through strengthening of our members by enabling them to do collectively what they cannot accomplish on their own. SIBA works closely with regional partners in economic development, such as St. Clair County, to support their growth efforts. The NGA relocation to the St. Clair County site near SAFB makes sense for many reasons, including: 1. The missions at SAFB are a major client of the NGA, so proximity to SAFB would be a benefit. 2. Approximately 30% of the employees that currently work at the NGA downtown already live in Illinois, and the site is served by public transit, with Metro Link at SAFB already. 3. The proposed location in St. Clair County is in a secure area, with room to grow on a easily accessible location off of I-64. 4. The property is owned by St. Clair County, enabling a very competitive land acquisition and easy transfer of the property. SIBA as an organization will pledge to do whatever it can, within its considerable sphere of influence, to lend its support to this important project and to ensure that, if St. Clair County's recommended location adjacent to Scott Air Force Base is selected, the project will have the added advantage of a qualified pool of construction firms from which to draw.
I am certain that I am not the first person to have thoughts of the following: Why has management not taken a non-binding straw poll of the Arsenal employees as to their preferences in site selection. After all they as employees would be the most affected by this. The ballot should give 1st, 2nd and 3rd choices, as 4th would be assumed. It would seem this information would be interesting even if it was given no weight in the selection. I strongly suspect that management does not even want this information as it could be politically disruptive. I would like someone to answer this by regular mail or telephone (314-631-5569)
Feel that the move to the North St. Louis would hurt that area in so much a lots of people would be moved! Why is North St. Louis being considered as one site for this move. There will be buildings torn down and people would have no place to live. Why not go further North if anything? Too many blocks would be destroyed in this area for the new campus. Whats wrong with the old site just build on to the existing property

I once lived in that area, I moved a little closer after 2009. I would like to see something done because I think it's dangerous for who shop and catch public transportation in that area. It's been a long coming.
I would love to see a major shopping center, Home Depot, Schnucks or Dierbergs grocery store, a KMart or WalMart, WalGreens, Payless Shoe Store, an eyeglass store, ladieswear store, menswear store, a police station, a gift shop, a doctor's office, a exercise spa, a post office, a bookstore, a gas station, a good bakery shop, as the space is not altogether too large. I'll stop, but I think you get the idea. Thank you for asking me Teresa Manuel Oh yes Dollar Tree, Toys Are Us
I should cover all the resident's within the area you are considering. Talk to the average citizen to get their input. North St. Louis never gets these type of government facilities. This would also bring some other benefits to this area too. There are many unknown talents, people that could provide some valuable assets to you.
Please consider how the proposal will support the mission of Scott Air Force Base. The strategic benefits of being near the base. The Economic Benefits of shared use with the base.
Environmental impact on the clean-up of the old Pruitt-Igoe site
I know that this will be big improvement to the St. Louis area after living in the city for most of my life. It will bring vast improvement for the area both economic and financial for the region.
Relocation of existing residents and historically relevant architecture Future of current locations historic buildings
All I want is fairness
This study should really be about transforming a community. Efforts should be focused on the community that needs the support most. Let's work to keep these jobs in STL city. We need the taxes and the foot traffic to help support our businesses here. Although, I have some concerns about the North STL city site, I believe it is the most viable option here and would do wonder for the community. I am concerned with resident displacement. Perhaps you should develop a partnership with Wash U and look at community development. What happens to the old site on 2nd street? Are we just blighting that community by the NGA leaving? Can we find a real solution to vacant buildings in the area? This helps but if another site is chosen then we need to bring this issue to the forefront. Thanks!
Building a new National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) campus in the St. Louis region is critical to economical impact this could bring to North St. Louis community and people. This is a great opportunity that we can try to get NGA facility here: North St. Louis, MO
-Bonus points for sites incorporating triple bottom line sustainability (economic + social + environmental) -Things like access to transit is important for workers and visitors -Sitting in the City is the most triple bottom line sustainable option. Greenfields with limited transit and access are least sustainable
Need to have housing for homeless men, pay all the taxes against the property and have money left over. There is 9 men living so far in the building, who have been living there for 10 years after my aunt died
My concerns is that I have a 3 story old building where I house homeless men from all walks of life. Some of them get checks once a month and I would like to be treated fairly in this process of trying to find and buy somewhere else to house these men. Plus, there is a sewer lien against my property. My grandmother died in 2002 and she quick claimed this building to me. I am interested in selling.
I would generally like the site to be in North St. Louis. While some eminent domain may be necessary, it should be minimized as much as possible- build up and not out if need be. Don't give this project to Northside Regeneration they have a track record of not building what they plan and unnecessarily demolishing buildings!

I am a 65+ year resident in the area. I do not agree with the proposed site because in order to meet the minimum requirements my home would be in jeopardy of eminent domain. That risk is too great!
The North city location should be considered seriously. North city has not seen investment dollars in many decades. The location of this agency in Northcity could serve as a catalyst for Paul Mc. Kee's North city regeneration plan. The importance of this agency can not be overstated with the rise of terrorist organizations throughout the world.
My concern and interest is the housing with my house being one of them. I have invested over 50 year of my life in this area and I want to remain in the area. The government has a great deal of property in the area with in the city that could be used (the Army Plant on Goodfellow) that certainly could be used for this effort. Also the Taft Commission has given millions of dollars to Paul McKee for this area already, This adds even more money to his pocket when he has done nothing with the funds he has already received. We do need some development but I feel this is not the kind needed in this area. This is the place that home should be.
North St. Louis is my preferred site. I believe a location in the city of St. Louis is critical to the city through the revenue generated by taxes. I think NGA should work closely with urban planners if selecting this site to attempt an urban design (as much as possible while acknowledging security needs) and even the possibility of maintaining the few existing structures out of respect for the historic nature of the site for the purposes of security outposts, meeting spaces, cafeteria, etc. The benefits of this site outweigh those of other sites. This site is centrally located, easily accessible, and offers an opportunity for the federal government to reinvest in a site that has a failed history of federal investment.
Given the current state of risk from terrorist/anarchist groups of varying persuasions, it would appear that site security would be foremost on the list of mandatory considerations. I would also suggest that a secondary consideration would be the security of communications nodes to/from the selected site. Third, I would recommend that the availability of immediate military response security forces should be a major consideration. Finally, I would recommend that a wide "clear area" around the site should be considered an important attribute for ensuring security of the site.
In light of the recent crime/murder rate in St. Louis, I would not feel safe working at the north city site. I do not want to deal with I-270 traffic getting to Fenton or the multitude of stoplights on Tesson Ferry. Either of those 2 sites will increase my travel time at least 20 minutes. There is no public transportation to any of the 3 sites in MO.
The study should include an environmental assessment of each site. It should also include an estimate of the costs of demolition and environmental remediation and property acquisition costs.
I am very concerned that this site means the displacement of families, schools and churches, in addition to the environmental concerns at the site.
1) Federal and state priorities for urban revitalization: The North City site best serves federal and state priorities as it will revitalize a blighted, urban community. Moving NGA to this site will most likely decrease the St. Louis City crime rate, as it will clear out many empty lots where criminals may run rampant. 2) Commute impact: North City will also be the least impactful commute-wise to the NCW workforce since it is the closest of the proposed sites to NGA's current location.
I believe that the study should examine property in the old Carrollton Subdivision in Bridgeton, MO. There is approximately 35 sq. miles of vacant property and most of it is owned by the city of St. Louis/Lambert Field.
My neighbors were not informed until a week ago that government may want to acquire our homes. I found out about the first open house about ten minutes before it began. I was out taking care of some business when a friend asked me if I heard about the open house. I said no. I came home and got one neighbor and my sister to show up late. But they came to the open house. Paul McKee is a rich man. You should not help him run taxpayers out of their

homes to make him richer. He is not going to build homes. Now he wants the government to help him get richer by running us out of our homes. He has received money on top of money. He's buying house after house and letting good homes fall into disrepair. People have run out of their homes now they're falling on the ground. Mayor Slay is not making him keep up his property. We keep up our property and pay our taxes. He should be held to the same standards. People need homes. This land is for homes. I'm not for selling my home to anyone. It is our right to own a home. We need a stronger city. We need good housing for all, better schools, improved transportation. They moved the bus lines, they took out the mail boxes. Our alder person and the mayor have done all they could to destroy our neighborhood. It's wrong for the Federal Government to get in on helping Paul McKee run us from our homes to get richer. No one else will help him make bigger bucks by selling off all this land he has acquired. Cities are neighborhoods I read 17 million dollars of grant money is at risk if they don't rework the St. Louis community. We need the government to come in and make the Mayor a mayor for all the people. People need places to live and work. We still have the poor and the elderly among us. People need homes to live in. You need a remote area for your Mapping agency, Putting that in the middle of the city is dangerous if we were ever under attack.

The North St. Louis location I think is unattractive! For the employees at NGA and everyone else. That area is just plain NOT SAFE ANYMORE. Also where would you park(safely)..I wouldn't feel uncomfortable with my wife working in that area. I feel you found a winner in Mehlville location.

General concerns I have regarding issues that should be covered for all sites: Crime; Benefits to Schools and neighborhoods already existing in the Area (as future neighbors and employees may live there); would this location improve diversity of employees?; Public Transportation - including availability to accommodate most 24X7 operations, acknowledge Saint Louis City has plans to implement a Trolley System running East-West downtown to Central West End on Olive Street about the same timeline as NGA's planned opening -- NGA could plan a hub on or near Jefferson and NGA could share in this development to intersect this new public transportation system adding further public transportation accessibility; Vicinity of other IC Partners- a benefit?; 500 year flood and earthquake zone and 100 year tornado damage paths analysis; access to interstate public transportation for incoming visitors, including access to temporary lodging; benefits gained vs. losses of city taxes paid by employees at various sites; location of eating establishments in vicinity for employees wanting to eat or shop near work; Real estate values for employees who want to live near work; Access to higher learning facilities for follow-on work training; Living near work and having access to high-speed Internet and good public utilities including cell phone service; evaluation of North to South and East to West traffic flows for employee ingress / egress; would other IC facilities be able to co-locate in the future?; Is this a good location for working with city and state government security?; Does this facility location invite lack of security that would impinge on employee safety or employee access in times of civil unrest, protest, or cause NGA undue public attention?; Locating NGA RIGHT NEXT to an interstate highway instead of a little ways off a major highway should be considered for safety reasons; What does it mean for NGA to be a 'good neighbor' in THIS neighborhood?; For facilities that are already "pre-built" what negative factors can't be overcome that affect useful design features that a new building offers?; Any consideration of Saint Louis City should include downtown road modifications that are currently under way (I-70, N-S corridors in the vicinity of I-44, I-55), bridge access for Illinois employees.; Illinois income tax is something employees might not enjoy if Scott AFB area is considered.; Flight paths of routine flights should be considered and NGA should not place itself directly under a routine flight path or near an airport for safety reasons if a hazardous situation can happen, it will, eventually.

Proximity to Scott Air Force Base is a bonus for the St. Clair County Site. Ease of access to proposed site as well.

The crime and murder rate in STL is out of control. It's not safe driving to and from work anymore. STL just had 7 murders in 2 days.
Just don't think people should lose their home pick a site where no people are miss placed
Safety of employees should be considered because of the high crime area this site is in.
I think that of the 4 sites being considered, the North St. Louis site is in the most dire need of redevelopment. I own a business 3 blocks from the proposed site and know that there has been no significant investment in North St. Louis City in decades. This site would offer a tremendous opportunity for restaurants and many other types of businesses to invest in North City. None of the other sites are in distressed areas and the impact would not be as significant in those areas as it would be in North City.
I'm in favor of the Cass Avenue location, being that it is a historical location, located in the City of St. Louis, and I guess that's a period. And then I also wanted to say that the location, of course, is within the depressed area of the City's -- of the St. Louis metropolitan area, I should say, as well as the fact that, of course, the President has, I guess, signed an executive order stating that, you know, any federal building locations -- relocations should first consider economically depressed areas in major cities, which we are. As I'm comfortable with the City, I certainly favor the relocating within the city. Regarding the socioeconomic impact, the area certainly would be upgraded for jobs, directly as well as indirect job opportunities in the City of St. Louis. And I guess that's about it. I don't really have that much else to say. I wanted to say those things. Okay. Thanks.
I'm representing the churches that have been in the area for more than over 75 years, we are there to service the people, and in the past we have been concerned about in the 60s the air quality, and now that the churches, the NGA has come about this and there's so much impact for us mentally, we want to know that there won't be an issue with the community, the people in that community, and the churches need to find out so they can notify the community. We are very seriously concerned about the people health, what has come from that area, we couldn't know what the city has done or their planning department has done as a study, since that's a small portion of the people that are still there, but there's a great impact on the people that are there because of the socioeconomic background. There are indigent people, poor, and they're not able to move. There's generational people that have lived in that area and we would like to know if there's any environmental concerns that they should have and be reported to them because of this study. We are seriously concerned when we met, found out that this had to happen because they was to have found something, we want our beliefs to be satisfied that we are safe, our community is safe, the people we serve there is safe, and how far back is this study going to go, if they find anything, that it's disruptive or destructive to the people, including any dangerous species, earth, water, we need to know would there be any health concerns, would the city provide us any information, or give us any indication if there's something wrong and assist us in this process. So after many guess the churches need to that come to serve, and we the neighborhood because we service the people in that neighborhood. And just because they are poor, we don't want them to be overlooked and misunderstood. And we would like to be contacted immediately upon any findings, positive or negative. My address is 1315 Elliott, E-L-I-O-T-T, Street, 63106. Telephone number 314-652-9136. And we will continue to meet with other churches to see and get an update on what's going on here. We do plan to call the St. Louis City Planning Commission or Division to see what has been done, what's going on, because when you walk out our door, we can see that area. So we are very affected by it and we are very concerned. Thank you.

I live here on Warren on this, what you call the North St. Louis city side, and I haven't known but for a half hour that this is even something that's pending or that's going to be looked into. I just happened to go to a place in the neighborhood, and they had the information about this open meeting, because I was on my way somewhere else, and I altered my plans to come here because I live on 2236 Warren, and my house is affected here, and we've had no prior knowledge to this, none whatsoever, and I think residents in the area should know. My sister lives on the next block. She doesn't know. She's on her way somewhere and I'm telling her she needs to get over here and stop what she's doing, even though it is very important, but where we live is even more important than what she's about to do. She's trying to go and get some college credits and finish a degree, but she's not going to have a house to live in if we don't come over here and fight for our homes. I think it's really wrong that we did not get any information about this, and if it weren't for me going somewhere else, I would not have even known about this, and my neighbor didn't know anything about this. So I've informed two, three -- two people in the last half hour who have no prior knowledge to this even going on. You know, these other three cities, the Fenton, the Mehlville, and the St. Clair County, do not have residents on the land, and I think that would be a better meet -- I mean a better place for the government to build their building. I know you want somewhere, but I don't think displacing people, even though there are just a few of us, I don't think that's the best thing. I just don't think it's a good thing to put us out of our homes, especially without prior -- But anyway, we don't know. We're living on this area that's mapped out here and we have no knowledge about this. I know the government does what it wants to do, but -- but we're living on the property, the land that you're -- but anyway, we need to know these things. No one can come up here and even speak for or against this because they don't even know anything about it. Every time somebody gets a whim of coming in here and taking this property around in here like it's got gold up under it or something, everybody seems to want it. We're not -- we're not informed. We have to find out by somebody else outside of the area telling us because we don't know. And this is -- this is constantly happening; every couple of years, that somebody wants the land that we're living on. If it's got gold on it, tell us, and let us decide, but I don't want to move. I love my home. I love the area and I don't want to move. I wouldn't mind having some other housing, just a government building, but just don't take my house to put it on, build it where I'm not living. I love my home. And I love architecture, and I hate when people think of destroying other people's homes to build something they want, especially without informing the people. You know, everybody may not feel the way I do, but I want my home. I want to live there and I want to continue living there.

I retired from NGA effective 31 March 2012. I live in North St. Louis, born and raised there, probably a couple of miles from the proposed site, and for me, the city site is a no-brainer. I just think that's where it has to go, my personal opinion, just to help with economic development on the North Side, that area being the previous site of Pruitt-Igoe, which has just been -- was a horrifically failed federal housing project, that this could turn that from a negative into a positive. Access to major highways and things is great up there, and just for the help in the neighborhood on the entire North Side of St. Louis, which is just a planned destruction that went on in North St. Louis, North City, over the last 40 years, I witnessed, that I lived through it. My parents did not participate in white flight. We didn't move to the suburbs. We tore down our old house and built a new house and moved in on the same -- same location that my dad bought after the war, so in 1969 when most white families were moving to North County, we stayed, so I saw what happened with the red lining. You couldn't get a loan, you couldn't get insurance, just the decline, and a lot of it planned. So for this to come in to North St. Louis would just be -- make up for a lot of bad things that were done to North St. Louis. So as for me, it's the only feasible -- it's the only site that should even be considered, considering what went on and what was done to North St. Louis. It happened to a lot of other urban areas, but to put it in Illinois or the suburbs, I think would be horrific. An incredible tax and earning tax for the city. One percent salaries of that many people and the salaries at those levels, it would have a horrific impact on the City. So those are my comments.

I was going to say, they're wanting to do all these new places, everything, why don't they just go down Bogel Road in Arnold where the other place is for the same outfit and like do imminent domain. You've got a bunch of old apartments behind there and you've got some houses on Bogel Road, but you could take that all there and make it into a big add-on to where they're at in Arnold right now. That was all my comment. I told them over there, they said make sure you get that on there.

Basically Griffin is like a cut-through between Tesson Ferry and Butler Hill, and it's only a single lane, I mean one lane each way. No sidewalk.

I've come to this open house to advocate for a new site in Bridgeton, Missouri, called Carrollton. It's a subdivision that was torn down by the City of St. Louis in the early '90s to expand the airfields at Lambert St. Louis Airfield. The City purchased 2000 homes and tore them all to the ground to extend the airport to extend the airfield to accommodate the TWA Hub that was at Lambert at that time. Now, TWA is no longer in business. The City is no longer a hub for any major airline and the airfields no longer are used. So the City -- there's 35 square miles of empty property there that is abandoned and owned by the City of St. Louis. It sits in between the highways of 270 and 70. It's bounded on the east by Lambert St. Louis Field. It's close to Boeing and near Highway 170. It is basically abandoned and forgotten by the City, or it seems like it because it's in complete decay, and I'm not sure that it was considered during the original list of places for NGA consideration, and I was hoping to put it on a list for somebody to at least look at as a potential site for the new NGA facility. And that's why I attended today's open house.

I was disappointed by the lack of enthusiasm shown to the downtown Saint Louis site by the representatives who set up the New NGW display at Second Street NGA some time ago. I personally think the city site has a lot of merit on its own, and I believe it could help the city. If a Swedish furniture retailer can see benefits to locating within the city, why can't the US government?

We have no comments on the proposal at this time.

This area is mostly vacant lots, some abandoned and dilapidated houses. This would be a great shot in the air for North St. Louis, since this is already in the city it would be a shame to abandon this once great city. This would really help bring it back. To say nothing of the financial base that this city don't need to lose!

I am writing to support the Mehlville location for the Next NGA West (N2W) project. I am a lifelong resident of the area and highly support the Mehlville location for the Next NGA West (N2W) project. This area could greatly benefit from this project and we can provide quality workers for the NGA. The residents of this area welcome the NGA and I cannot think of any negative impact the NGA would have on the area. Mehlville is a good safe community for the NGA workers and equipment. There are many safe dinning locations near this location to meet the breakfast, lunch, and dinner needs of the NGA employees. This location is right by a new fire station with full-time EMS and only a mile away from an excellent and expanding hospital. The Mehlville location is not too far from the current NGA location and is also the closest location to NGA's secondary location in Arnold, Missouri with multiple routes between the two locations. Please contact me at the address listed above if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this important matter.

<p>As Illinois represents approximately one-quarter of the greater St. Louis metropolitan area and nearly 30 percent of current NGA West employees, we proudly write in support of the St. Clair County site near Scott Air Force Base for the new National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) West Facilities. Among the many needs of NGA in this search for a new West headquarters, we believe these qualities put the Scott site at the head of the list: - Security - Easy land acquisition - Availability of telecommunication and utility connections - Current work performed for the missions located at Scott - Proximity and availability of trained personnel or recruitment - Access to transportation without disruption to existing traffic - Strong community support Community support for the greater Scott community is evidenced in winning the 2013 Abilene Trophy and the first place ranking by the Air Force Times for Best Bases for Airmen. In addition, the services for active duty and retired military available at Scott would be very accessible to NGA employees. And there would be no St. Louis city income tax surcharge at an Illinois NGA. The NGA facility would be welcomed enthusiastically at this site without any adverse public perception and without noise, safety, or other disruptions to a residential area. This site adjacent to a military base is the most logical, easiest to secure, with the best transportation options - including public mass transit, and with the best fit into a community among the choices available. We strongly urge the selection of the St. Clair County site for the new National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's West Facilities. Rodney Davis, Member of Congress Mike Bost, Member of Congress</p>
<p>No concerns at this time. The area has been vacant except for overgrowth of green plants for years. It will be a good thing for the community if you choose this site location. I say welcome.</p>
<p>Traffic congestion. Surrounding support structure (restaurants, gas stations, convenience stores, public transportation, etc...) Housing availability (or lack thereof) within close proximity.</p>
<p>No concerns.</p>
<p>It is reasonable that the City wants NGA and it's 3200 employees to remain in the City. However I have lived at my address for 37 years. I would prefer not to move, as I am retired and having a paid for home with reasonable real estate taxes is a plus for me. If North St. Louis is chosen for NGA's new location, I would expect the City and NGA to be principled in paying the homeowners for their homes and moving expenses. I personally am open to the possibility of a comparable home or upgrade to another home with a paid deed. I would prefer to stay within City limits.</p>

APPENDIX J – Verbatim Comments

Question 2: Further comments?

What will happen to Butler Hill Rd? Will it stay as is? Will residents be forced to sell to expand/widen Butler Hill? What security risks will there be for surrounding area? Barring any chemical/environmental/health issues related to the Fenton site. The Fenton site makes the most sense. That area is already designed for high traffic use. It's flat and probably the easiest to protect from a security standpoint.
Parking - regardless of which site is selected, adequate parking needs to be build up front. NGA East has a consistent lack of parking problem. My understanding is that parking was only build for 60% of the workforce - INADEQUATE!! The Fenton area is in close proximity to Interstate 44 and provides for the largest amount of future growth and parking. Safe neighborhood. The Mehlville site is also very close to I-270 and in a very safe neighborhood.
I think the Mehlville site offers the best location since it has access to 4 highways: 141, 255, 44, 55 as well as a bus that goes to the site. It is close to St. Anthony's Hospital, Mehlville Fire Protection, good roads, and a developed site which might save building new facilities. If the North St. Louis site is used, will the government provide housing for the displaced residents?
Please keep NGA in Missouri!
The Fenton site had 6000 employees that worked there. The location has a great infrastructure to support the NGA relocation. We would gladly assist you with any questions.
Building is up, has enough land, close to Arnold building, easy to get to, close to highways, no impact on community because insurance was there before, would be an asset to all of South County, needed to improve living in this area
I bet the winner will be the North St. Louis site Politics The City with not let the city earnings tax for 3000 good paying jobs go. I wouldn't build there or want to work at that site.
If sites others than North St. Louis are chosen, it appears the cost of the project would increase starting with providing mass transit.
As Mayor of Crestwood the Fenton site provides excellent expansion potential on a site that would only be improved by this use. Surrounding areas provide excellent opportunities for new or current housing in some of the best school districts in the state. In addition, the NGA would restore the economic engine diminished when Chrysler left. Many pluses and very few minuses.
I originally thought the city site would be best (only because I am a city resident and taxes would be beneficial to a declining city) however, I think Fenton would be the best especially because of its size and location to highway 44 and 270. Also thought location near Scott AFB would be logical, but again not enough space allotted.
Fenton seems like the logical choice. Large area for expansion or eventually bringing Arnold facility there. Easy access for North/South employees- though longer for Illinois employees. Hopefully the area selected will be safe for employees and provide 100% on site parking.
I am an NGA employee.
My name is Jerry Daugherty, Mayor, City of Mascoutah, Illinois. I was at the meeting for Elected and Appointed Officials in O'Fallon, IL. I want to express my appreciation for allowing us to comment and ask questions about the planned relocation and potential sites. Of course, everyone in our area is excited about the possibility of choosing the St. Clair County site. Why wouldn't we be? A long time ago, I performed some liaison work with NGA while a member of the Air Force. So, I understand a little bit about the nature of their business. I have no concerns about the feasibility of locating the site in our area. A huge plus, in my opinion, would be the proximity to Scott AFB with a high level of security already in place. Another positive would be that the communities around Scott AFB are well-known for their support as evidences by several awards. I'm not totally familiar with the other sites

that are being considered, but I just see the St. Clair County site as a great fit. I could elaborate on a lot of other "quality of life" issues if needed. Thank you.
The time to begin and complete construction near Scott AFB would be reduced by using a cleared site.
I believe the next site within St. Louis should be at the proposed Mehlville location. This is because I believe that the area in North City is currently too dangerous and could become very congested with the addition of 3,000 people coming and going to work on a daily basis. There are also many local restaurants and shops near the Mehlville location that would potentially substantially boost the local economy. Many people who work for this particular location are also from the areas west and south of St. Louis City, which would make the Mehlville location convenient as well.
Please contact me for further comment. (314) 436-2125/753-6564. Let us know about the happens. We knew nothing about this meeting. Learned about it 20 minutes before closing.
Building something on the old "Pruitt Igoe" site is long overdue!
I think it would be very damaging to take 130 acres in St. Louis City and essentially remove it from the public sphere by removing many streets, demolishing buildings, and restricting access to employees only. There are many plans for improving the neighborhood that I think the new NGA would slow or prevent. I would not consider the new NGA an improvement to the neighborhood and it would take up a lot of room that could otherwise be better used.
The St. Clair County Transit District (SCCTD) has developed a concept and general plans for the extension of the region's light rail transit system known as MetroLink from its current eastern terminus at the Shiloh - Scott MetroLink station, north, then east with a proposed station just south of the newly constructed Rieder Rd. interchange on Interstate 64. These plans also include the possibility of an extension further east with a station at MidAmerica Airport. Should the St. Clair county site be selected for the relocation of the National Geospatial Agency and depending on the ultimate layout, access and internal circulation of funding for the extension of MetroLink to, and including the construction of a new station in the vicinity of Rieder Rd. The present level and configuration of public transportation service on Scott Air Force Base make it feasible to serve the potential NGA site from the Shiloh - Scott MetroLink station via bus until such time as funding, final design and construction of any future MetroLink station are completed. SCCTD is also developing MetroBikeLink. This bicycle/walking trail generally parallels MetroLink and presently extends 6.5 miles from the Memorial Hospital station to the College station at Southwestern Illinois College. Construction is underway for an extension of MetroBikeLink from the College station to the Shiloh - Scott station; a distance of approximately 3.5 miles. This extension will be completed in 2015. MetroBikeLink has connections to Belleville's Richland Creek Greenway Trail and to Swansea's Richland Creek Trail. Additional connections are planned in the future as trails are constructed by others. SCCTD will also extend MetroBikeLink west, from its present western terminus at the Memorial Hospital station to the Fairview Heights station; a distance of approximately 3.4 miles. This extension will be open before the end of 2017.
Safe thoroughfares to and from any points north and south and east and west are being developed and will be in place to serve the new location; Public-private partnership would be created to connect ground transportation from south to north and east and west.
Pro defense community Near new hospital and proposed second hospital Plenty of shopping and eating areas including base Located by golf course Very convenient for prior military because of Scott Close to metrolink Close to golf course and other recreation New bike trail will be complete
St. Clair County appears to be the wisest choice from the basis of cost, proximity to amenities, security, environmental concerns, community, etc. I hope St. Louis politicians don't negatively affect the results of the study. I hope Illinois and Scott AFB receive the privilege of welcoming NGA.
O'Fallon and the surrounding communities have been very supportive of the military and civil servant personnel at the Scott AFB for years. It seems to make sense to have the NGA close to the military units that depend on their information.

The St. Clair Co site seems to make the most sense. Nothing to tear down, good access (after Reider Rd is complete), a good fit with Scott AFB
One other concern about this St. Clair site is accessibility in/out of the new campus. Do they plan on widening the roads in the area immediately around there? I was just told about the possibility of Metrolink going out to this site. I think that's a great idea. I have taken a vanpool the past 7+ years in my time at NGA. For those that choose not to move to Illinois, I would stress the idea of a vanpool. You get fully reimbursed in the vanpool and it gets more cars off the road. AND IT WORKS
No earnings tax in Illinois! This means an instant 1% raise for NGA employees!
Strongly recommend consideration of the St. Clair County site. This site appears to be the best option from NGA and the St. Louis region as a whole.
Scott AFB seems to be a natural fit given the security issues as well as access and green space.
While rehabilitating a Brownfield site might have some merit, I have to think that the St. Clair County Site would at first flush be less costly to develop. The proximity to the interstate, being adjacent to the Scott AFB and the quality of life at Scott AFB and in the region all seem to be additional pluses.
St. Clair Co site at SAFE offers: - Security of Air Base -Close to user (Air Force, etc.) - Transportation ease -Real Estate price – cheap
I'm the current contractor that performs the snow removal services on the 2nd St. location. This site is entirely too small for the number of staff that are located here. And I can attest that the facilities are falling apart. The cost to build a new facility will pay for itself as opposed to continuing to put band-aids on the facility. Please plan for growth.
St. Clair county site has minimal infrastructure challenges once Reider Road Interchange is constructed. NGA mission and land use is very compatible with the adjacent Scott AFB.
Please do another forum when the study is complete to explain the results of each study.
Is the new interchange on I-64 supporting the NGA move (requires a long range assumption) or is it supporting other community/county projects?
Encourage the NGA to consider the St. Clair County site. As a resident and businessman in the Metro East. I fully support NGA's relocation to St. Clair County and Scott AFB.
NGA needs a secure and safe site. The St. Clair County location is both of those things.
Consider price of land and to build
I strongly support the St. Clair County site because of its proximity to Scott AFB, it's closeness to I-64 and the unencumbered nature of the site itself
The impact to St. Clair County would be tremendous in a positive way. Our schools, housing and business economy would welcome this move with open arms. I for one would really like to see NGA West move to the site near Scott AFB.
Thank you for considering the Greater St. Louis Area, as an Economic Development professional I look forward to working with you on this project to ensure success.
I think the St. Clair County site would be great from the NGA and the surrounding community. I am originally from Toronto, Ontario, Canada and have been living in St. Clair County for about a year (approximately 2 miles from the proposed site). The region is amazing and the NGA /it's employees would be welcomed with open arms.
-Extensive environmental impact assessments have been made on and about the proposed site that is publically owned by St. Clair County and immediately available for site development for the new facility. -Site will have very easy access from I-64 making it convenient for NGA employees who commute and/or reside in the metro-east
I believe Illinois at Scott AFB is the most logical choice
Please do not build in North St. Louis. Our community does not want you here, also I doubt that you will employ local residents, and you will only make this place less accessible and less hospitable.
Glad you are staying in the St. Louis area.

I do not want this facility as a neighbor. North St. Louis (St. Louis Place in particular) is already struggling to connect past the ownership of Paul McKee. Do not disenfranchise and isolate us anymore.
I would strongly urge development in a site that does not displace residents. Only the North City site compromises home owners - please do not displace homeowners and residents.
Neighborhood home owner. Not on person in the area got a or one notice. I found out 20 minutes before this meeting.
Neighborhood resident
St. Clair site is too far away from the current workforce.
Homeowners need to know this is going on. I found out a half hour ago. This is not good.
I would love to have people as neighbors instead of cornstalks. The location is convenient access to downtown and all the major roadways and would be a welcome expansion of the revitalization of Washington Avenue. As a business owner in the neighborhood, any increase in traffic is desirable.
I think this is the most feasible area given the government already owns part of the land (more than half). I would be in favor of this location, I also think the travel distance for employees to areas outside the city would be costly. The new bridge at Cass Ave. provides a direct route and easy access to all the highway (70/64/40/44).
This project, the Northside Regeneration and the proposed North-South Distributor would go a long way in providing employment and economic opportunity for the City of St. Louis.
Development in North St. Louis would probably help the neighborhood, but may add gentrification, but would provide an anchor for North City development. Hopefully cementing the North City site would allow for the saving of the Clemens house 3 blocks of the site on Cass Avenue. I would like to work in North City.
Fenton provides plenty of room for parking and potentially other businesses within walking distance for lunch, etc. Fenton is the clear frontrunner with Mehlville in second.
I am opposed to the Mehlville and Fenton options because of transportation issues. We live in the City and own one automobile. I would have to buy a new vehicle if the new site is either one of those options. I have environmental concerns about taking farmland out of production for the St. Clair County site. My preference is the North St. Louis City site.
I want to hear about the plans for the Arnold site. Officially, will it remain open?
No one wants to drive through East St. Louis.
Please NOT Scott AFB. Way too far! Also I don't want to work in Illinois.
Nothing at this time other than the requirements that was provide by Government for the new facility.
I believe the North St. Louis site is the best option. It would be the most central location, displacing the fewest current employees. It would be beneficial to the City of St. Louis economically. It would have the least amount of impact upon the natural physical environment.
So many people are complaining about the North St. Louis City site because of safety and access. There are no real problems with access other than it is an excuse for people not wanting to go to N. St. Louis. Building in North St. Louis would improve the area and eventually provide additional income to area businesses. The North St. Louis and St. Clair County sites are the only sites that are easily accessible to public transportation.
I think the Scott AFB site would be an excellent location for the new facility.
Air quality concerns of long commutes for a majority of workforce to the Scott Air Force site. Safety of neighborhood should be considered, along with opportunities for the workforce to do offsite fitness such as currently done by walking in Lyon Park.
If the North St. Louis site is chosen, NGA will have a significant problem retaining employees.
Continue flow of information. People are really talking about where this will be built. Help end the rumor mills.

The St. Clair County government should be asked if it's willing to extend the Metro line to drop NGA employees closer to NCW.
How will traffic be handled for these sites? Is there room for future expansion of the Agency at all locations listed? Are all areas low crime rate areas?
Amenities in new facility - No mention has been made yet as to what amenities may be in the new building. I would like to see expanded food and coffee options. It would be a great opportunity to bring in local businesses: coffee roasters, cafes, etc.
Keep reaching out to employees about what features they are interested in having at the sites - example childcare, multiple places to eat (bring in local businesses).
Thank you for working to provide us an updated facility.
The maps are very good but for some one who does know the surmounting areas very well, it would have been good to add an overview map of the areas that should a larger area in relation to each site.
Concern about excessive driving distance to Scott AFB location
None
Interested in how the sites will be constructed through master plan document. A visual representation of any or all final four sites might assist in better determination and possible relief over safety concerns.
Please consider the opinions of employees, especially the younger ones. If 20-somethings don't want to work at/commute to this facility then attracting a qualified workforce will be impossible. Please include space for a daycare center, and build in an area with good schools.
Fenton - On campus amenities, limitations of parcel size, public transportation. Mehlville - Public transportation, smaller site, major traffic choke points. North City - Public transportation plans? Local development. St. Clair - Metro shuttle? Base access? Too car dependent?
North St. Louis is least desirable due to 1% income tax by leaving St. Louis City all employees will receive a 1% pay increase.
More information would be helpful in keeping up to date with the reports as they are coming out.
How much weight is put into the age of the current workforce and the percentage that would potentially have to make the move?
Noise level at St. Clair County site with runway traffic. What is the flood plain impact at the Fenton site? Is building still occupied at Mehlville? Are we re-building this entire site or reusing it? I assume tearing down. Impact of building removal?
I like the Fenton site the best. Its the closest to where I live, its right next to the interstate, and its the most accessible to the largest number of employees. Mehlville is second for similar reasons, though I don't think its quite as good. For me, St. Clair is a distant third. It's far from where I live, and I'd drive 300 miles a week commuting; I'd rather move to IL to be closer to it, though that option comes with great inconvenience and higher taxes. North St. Louis is by far the worst site due to its location in a dangerous part of town (see post #1). All other options are far better. Please no North St. Louis!
I hope thorough environmental, economic and geologic studies will be done to determine full capability of the site, the ability to build on it, and the benefits that come from it. At times, it is hard to believe in a fiscally constrained environment, a new site is being constructed.
I recommend releasing as much of the supporting data used to arrive to Record of Decision as possible. The choice of site is going to impact many employees, regardless of site. And the more data explaining the decision as possible will help. Personally, if the land can be purchased reasonably, the Fenton site would be the best from my standpoint. Transportation access, availability of land and remote location would be best. As a majority of the workforce lives in Missouri, it makes the most sense for it to stay.
The Mehlville site gets my vote!

I am concerned that the St. Clair site is too close to the airports. They are relatively quiet now but in the future they may be very busy. A few years ago it was pushed to get the Chinese to fly a scheduled route to the civilian airport - any big air force plan in trouble nearby would consider Scott as a primary place to try to land.
1. I like the site near Scott AFB best, because of accessibility, and I perceive as the most secure. 2. I like the North St. Louis site because the city needs the economic benefits. Some improvement to local street patterns would improve accessibility.
I have heard no comments from NGA employees favorable to the North St. Louis site. A location in the depressed heart of a big city seems a bad idea to most.
I have parking concerns. St. Louis does not have a decent public transportation system. They need to assume no one will be leaving the agency and plan on having enough parking so we do not have NCE issues. There also needs to be consideration for possible expansion if additional functions come to N2W. Having additional undeveloped property for parking expansion is necessary.
Do you have any graphic that shows how big the different sites are in comparison to each other. Arnold got land locked quickly - future ability to expand if needed.
It would be a shame to take virgin land (St. Clair) for this project, when using North Saint Louis site would do good for society. If the Federal Govt. doesn't go to North St. Louis, no one else will. We have a chance to change history. North St. Louis is on route of a main communication cable back bone crossing the nation.
The comments that St. Clair is a good option because of "all the public transit options that lead right up to it" are ridiculous. If you don't live in downtown St. Louis, these "options" are a fantasy. Please don't impose eminent domain to move to North City - see reference Meechan Park. Seriously...learn from history on this! Working in North City would be bad enough without disgruntled fanatics attacking employees or throwing molotov cocktails over the perimeter fence and staging "die-ins" at the gate.
None
Is there going to be more input from the employees? Voting for a site might be palatable then being forced to a location that very few if any want.
I'm happy to be included in this process.
Would love to move outside of city to lose 1% city tax - this would seem like a raise for most! Not pleased with this open house - all the same maps, no new information.
These appears to be the same maps that have already been presented to the workforce. The workforce would love a location where we lose the 1% city tax we are levied. Moving out of the city constitutes a pay raise for us.
How will security be addressed at the North St. Louis site?
I really like the St. Clair County site!!
Will there be a childcare facility onsite like the other IC and DOD buildings have?
North St. Louis - Please do not build there. I do not feel safe driving there at all. As you know, NGA works 24/7 and night shift employees will not feel safe driving home in early morning (ex. 3 p.m. - 3 a.m.). If you build there, you will lose a lot of employees.
I appreciate the opportunity to hear more about these plans. This was helpful. Last thing - does the 50-60 acre requirement only account for buildings and parking? Does it include the necessary security buffer? (That question didn't get answered).
Very nice presentation at Crestwood Community Center. In particular, David J. Berczek was very informative and insightful in the agency's mission and the relocation of this facility. He was very kind and patient to answer my questions about the Army's program. As a result, my son enlisted and signed up for geospatial intelligence imagery analyst training. He leaves for basic training January 30, 2014.
Owens two houses in area. Phone number 314-537-6257.

I prefer Mehlville or St. Clair locations.
Mehlville site is in a very safe area, with many restaurants and a hospital within close proximity.
Traffic impact would be a concern at this location or any location. Butler Hill is only a 2 lane road which has exits / entrances onto Highway 55. A large work force would generate other revenue for a variety of auxillary businesses.
the impact of Butler Spur as a route to Mehlville, and likewise, the route of Geyer/Watson to get to Hwy 44 toward Fenton
I am afraid that the people directly affected and those living near me aren't adequately informed about the implications of having such a facility so close might entail, especially potentially blocking streets like Cass Ave. If you don't want a facility like this in your backyard than I advise you to please consider the impact it will have on our community in the same way.
The Fenton site also offers some recreational opportunities that none of the other sites can offer. There are numerous trails some located along the Meramec River and numerous parks, golf courses, the St. Louis Soccer Park within minutes of this site. Fenton also offers a diverse community and many options for shopping and dining that I don't see any of the other site. I would strongly suggest that you give the Fenton site a strong recommendation. There is a lot more going on in Fenton than you will see at a quick glance. The Fenton area also offers great schools in several top St. Louis school districts.
I am extremely concerned with having enough parking at both the Mehlville and North St Louis site. As a NGA employee I would not want to park in the neighborhood outside the North St Louis site due to concerns with crime and theft in a transitional neighborhood.
This agency is not welcome in this neighborhood. I live in this neighborhood and DO NOT want the NGA facility to be located near my house.
I urge the selection committee to choose the site near Scott Air Force Base. It is already under public ownership, is readily available for development and can be combined with SAFB into a secure facility.
Please factor in the distance to off-facility establishments, which would be used by employees during meal breaks
Just wanted to see what this was all about. I was hoping to see if I could help with any employment assistance I could provide.
Southwestern Illinois boasts excellent infrastructure already in existence, including a robust interstate highway system. Locating the new NGA facility in St. Clair county means simple travel for NGA employees, Department of Defense contractors, and others. MidAmerica Airport's proximity to Scott Air Force Base offers already in-place security measures, and convenience for handling geospatial intelligence matters. Ease of travel is a key component for NGA staff, and our highway system would make the transition from the current 2nd Street location to Scott Air Force Base a smooth one, and traffic congestion is relatively light in this area.
I think the St. Clair site would be an excellent addition to SAFB. Additionally, the location would be ideal for a remote and safe spot.
NGA HAS APPROXIMATELY 3000 FEDERAL EMPLOYEES WHOSE PAY WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE LOCALITY PAY CLASSIFICATION OF "REST OF THE UNITED STATES". OPM IS IN THE PROCESS OF MAKING ST. LOUIS ITS OWN LOCALITY PAY AREA. WILL NGA IN OFALLON BE CONSIDERED PART OF THE NEW ST LOUIS LOCALITY PAY AREA?
I feel that moving the NGA Headquarters to St. Clair County will further enhance the diversity of services that Scott Air Force has continued provide over the years. The importance of sustaining the operations of SAFB is one of the most economically significant initiatives in Southern IL. It is a state of the art communication hub for the global initiatives and I believe having NGA in close proximity to Scott Air Force Base.

Is there a risk any of the Missouri locations could be designated on the National Historical Registry? My past experience with BRAC and nominated facilities was negatively impacted by designation of facilities as "historic" and it really slowed down, if not terminated, planned reutilization. NGA needs a new facility now, and any delays will adversely impact NGA's mission support capability.
I also would be curious if this particular development could be implemented in a way that promotes positive development nearby, including a development plan that is not so suburban in style (with oceans of parking and suburban office park format).
Go build it somewhere more practical like the Fenton site. It is more remote and won't put a black hole of uselessness to city residents in the MIDDLE of a city already struggling to reconnect. City resident.
Finally, transparency is of utmost importance in this process. The residents near the St Louis location were not notified of the public hearing, despite the building affecting their livelihoods. The perception is that this was on purpose so they would not know that the government would potentially uproot them without their knowledge or input. This is particularly troublesome in the current climate where transparency is a hot-button issue. Additionally, the study will show pros and cons of each site; however, NGA will make the final determination - that decision process needs to be transparent to the public and the agency's employees - as many already feel the decision is rigged politically.
Once a decision is made, please meet with residents, elected officials, community leaders for community input. Environmental issues should be monitored for the health concerns in the community.
Concerned about the human and socioeconomic aspects if they are being addressed. If expansion jobs for current residents, training for current residents to obtain construction positions or work in some compacity of the new development. It would be great to maintain the NGA Campus in the north side city area due to the relocation of the old Record Center relocating to Kentucky and the Archive relocating to north county. Interested in next Public Comment meeting to analyze the entire impact the project will have on the city as a whole.
One of the reasons that I attended the public forum was to listen to other people voice their opinion about the decision. The format of these sessions does not lend itself well to that purpose. I would like very much to see whatever information I can about the opinions of people of live or work near the areas considered. Thank you.
I can't think of a better way for the government to help boost North St. Louis. With all the vacant land available and the new bridge complete, commuting to and from north St. Louis should be a breeze. North St. Louis desperately needs a kick start. Build it there.
The North St. Louis City site would be a very welcome addition to this depressed neighborhood. I have owned a building just down the road from this proposed site for 14 years and myself and other business owners in the immediate area feel that this is a wonderful area for this type of government investment. The Northside Redevelopment project will complement this possible NGA complex wonderfully. The North side of St. Louis desperately needs this type of investment-much more so than any of the other proposed sites. Thank you so much for your consideration!
The St Clair site in Illinois would be an excellent choice for the new facility. Its close proximity to Scott AFB, aerospace businesses in O'Fallon and two exits off I-64 (exit 19 and the new exit 21 currently under construction) make NGA West a perfect fit with other new construction in the area.
I have heard other residents in North St. Louis feel as I do that this project will become a great addition in Old North St. Louis. You are welcome.
It would make a complete and safe environment for a new building,. The base and surrounding area residents completely support the new building and jobs. Metro is already in place, no crime to deal with, hwy is next door, a complete clean slate to work with and of room to grow. A small airport next door, etc. The 1% raise, no more mo state tax.

I'm a former NGA West Executive of St. Louis facility. We performed geospatial analysis of the distribution of our employees and center point was in city of St. Louis just North and West of downtown, very close to North St. Louis location. It is the most centrally located for employees overall. Minimizes the car miles and impact on pollution. We liked the downtown options because closest site to airport and keeps 20 mile distance to Arnold facility too. Favor North St. Louis as best location geographically.
I do not feel this a facility of this size would be a comfortable fit in the residential area of this proposed site. A better choice would be in an office park setting. In addition, the safety of employees and their vehicles need to be considered.
St. Clair County would be the perfect location!
I think without a doubt should give O'fallon location a first priority. O'fallon is a growing town with all facilities including new major hospital coming up. and the feel of small town USA. yet it is very close be metropolitan area. (st. Louis) family oriented and divers population. I am sure your staff will be very comfortable knowing they will be no hassle for commuting to and from work. we are welcoming you here in O'fallon IL
This would be a great site for the NGA Western Headquarters. Construction on the site could start immediately. There are no pre-existing buildings that would need to either be torn down or retro fitted to accommodate the security needs of the facility. There would be less costs incurred for the construction of the site. This would bring many jobs and new businesses as well to the area.
St. Clair County would welcome your facility to our community. Our community has a great deal of amenities for your employees. We both would benefit from the relationship.
I think moving to the Scott Air Force Base area would be very good for the surrounding cities and it would be very good for the company.
I am all for bringing the facility to St Clair County and OFallon area. That corner has been sitting empty for many years and more people means more houses bought and property values stabilized. Please come! We welcome you! I may even apply for some of the jobs for a promotion.
This is a project that makes an immense amount of sense to have located next to Midamerica and SAFB. Along with the vast majority of ofallon residents and business operators, we are excited to welcome the NGA to our community.
Thinking close to the base would be a good move for future development and additional security if need be.
Scott AFB offers NGA excellent collaboration with USTRANSCOM, DISA, DLA and many Aif Force organizations. Plus Scott offers existing facilities (food court, security police, BX and commissary for the many retirees that work at NGA) to support NGA.
We believe this project could be a win, win, win for all parties involved. The space for the physical building is more than satisfactory and is capable of sustaining the construction and allow for future growth. Mid America airport is next door to allow for business travel, Metro Link can be extended to the site to allow commuters easy access to St. Louis and Lambert International. A new I-64 interchange is being constructed to allow direct access to this site. The area has a large contingent of highly skilled tradesman and project labor agreement histories in place to allow for trouble free construction. The adjacent school districts are top tier and quality homes are readily available for occupancy. This facility will be a welcome addition to our communities.

<p>Sorry about the anon thing, but I really want my comment to be blunt without attribution. I work for NGA; don't really have strong opinions about its new location, but I do have one opinion about the city of St. Louis and its fight to keep NGA within the city limits: St. Louis has no real concern for NGA, its mission or its people; the city of St. Louis only cares that 1% of the salary of 3000 employees continues to flow into its coffers. To the city of St. Louis NGA is nothing more than a cash cow, period. The NGA mission is not to bolster St. Louis' economy and where NGA finally builds its new facility should not be predicated upon St. Louis dependency on its employee earnings. In fact, if anything, this should be a reason NOT to put NGA in St. Louis proper...the average personal financial loss to St. Louis for each of the 3000 employees is more than \$1000 per year, and that with no hope of any real return and no way to cast a vote to decide how that money is spent. Thank you.</p>
<p>Would love for the jobs to stay in St. Louis City, but why is the site so large? The former Pruitt-Igo site makes sense but the area north of Cass Avenue includes homes of long time residents. These people may not want to move and should not have to. Also Cass Avenue is a major east-west street and should remain open. I know that there is major security at the current site. The new site should have a pleasant appearance and not look like an armed camp with barbed wire, etc. I am also concerned about what will happen to the historic buildings currently in use. They should be saved and reused. I often walk in the nearby park.</p>
<p>Since a large majority of NGA West employees live in Missouri, and since high Illinois property taxes and a general dearth of freedom will prevent many employees from moving to Illinois, placing the new NGA West facility in St. Clair County will lead to an increase in the number of vehicle miles traveled per day by employees. Even vanpools will have to drive further than they currently do. I am skeptical that MetroLink will be an attractive option for many employees, given the lack of stations in suburban areas in Missouri. This increase in vehicle miles would have a negative impact on air quality and carbon emissions in the region.</p>
<p>Take the parking lot don't ruin the city.</p>
<p>three questions. 1. Is there a way for this site to list out questions people ask and show the responses? 2. How does the interstate modification at the Scott AFB mile mark 20 on Interstate 64 affect the decisions? 3. How does the establishment of the DISA facility near the proposed NGA location affect the decisions (assuming NGA connects a lot to DISA). 4. Does the EIS include the actual use/connections that NGA use?</p>
<p>I am a long-time resident of St. Clair County, IL. I currently work at the 2nd Street NGA facility. I would like to highly encourage selection of the St. Clair County site for the new NGA facility. The open space around the site is great for security as well as good for developers to put in housing or commercial property in relatively close proximity to the site. The added benefit of being close to many of NGA's partners at Scott Air Force Base should not be trivialized as well. Placing the facility in close proximity to Scott would encourage more collaboration with the military and other agencies located at Scott. It would be a huge, much needed, boost in the economy for the area. Also, I personally would be very satisfied with my commute. The site located in north St. Louis City seems to be a real security threat. From a crime perspective, nobody would want to leave the walls of the facility. There is also nowhere to go around that location as far as restaurants, gas stations, etc. that are quality and safe-feeling. Also, the underlying infrastructure that is in much need of repair and is quite old is also a concern. I strongly oppose selection of this site. Thank you for taking the time to read my comments.</p>
<p>I really hope that consideration for the economic impact of a move out of the St. Louis City would have is stated and restated again. Stay within St. Louis City and truly consider the North St. Louis area for convenience and the potential impact on small business development to the area as a result. The N2W site in North St. Louis is a prime location and would greatly help create some economic stability.</p>
<p>The St. Clair County site would be beneficial for the area and in turn, would be a great location for the facility.</p>
<p>This site appears to have the most security and access to military operations. The additional ability to expand or bring in other services close to this site should also be considered as vital.</p>

The N2W site in North St. Louis is a prime location to develop partnerships with public & private entities such as the Ferguson Commission, public schools, city & state & social service agencies. Create a plan benefiting the needs of NGA and underserved communities seeking pathways to economic stability.
Bring jobs to near north side area, keeping facility in the city, improve the infrastructures already in the area(educational facilities, lumber business, police districts on North Jefferson and Cass, RV Park, near downtown city area, gas stations, rental housings, vacant lots for building new homes for interested parties, inexpensive land purchases for use by NGA, other businesses nearby, and other potential opportunities.
I believe the crime rate in each proposed location should be researched and taken into consideration for the safety of employees.
I would love to see the NGA move to the old Metlife building in Mehlville. For those of us that live in South County, there are not very many large employers in our area. Every single morning you can turn on the local news and see what the traffic is like traveling north on Interstate 270. It is a nightmare. The Metlife building is ideal for the NGA. It is large enough to accommodate the number of employees that will be housed here. The government can save some money in that the buildings already exist, as opposed to some of the other locations. Of course, there will need to be modifications, but our hard earned tax dollars should be spent in as an efficient and practical matter as possible. Thank you for allowing public input on this very important topic. Good luck.
I think that north St Louis should NOT be considered as a location for the facility. An employee should NOT have to worry about their safety when working at night, or during odd hours and having to drive, or take public transportataion, through a "bad" section of town. I think that ANY of the places away from downtown St Louis could be good. Plenty of room for affordable housing, safe communities.
North County - this site would be impacted by lack of critical infrastructure, force protection challenges and an already bad traffic situation would be compounded (akin to the old Navy Yard facility) St. Clair County would significantly impact a large number of NGA commuters ~ similar to the NGA East consolidation in Springfield, VA. If the objective is the green the workforce, this might be a good route to take. Aside from that, this location would be a good choice from a force protection perspective and there is community infrastructure in place to support a large influx of people. Fenton - good location w/ power and comms infrastructure in place from the old Chrysler plant as well as a location supported by community infrastructure; e.g., restaurants, services, etc. as well as a population used to traffic caused by a large employer. Mehlville - largest impact caused by choosing this site would be commute for North County and Illinois employees, a significant amount of traffic increase in an area without adequate roads, a potential impact to a nearby hospital and a limited community support infrastructure around the site.
I live in the Fenton area, I am willing to drive to Scott to go to work. I am not willing to drive to North St. Louis even though it is closer. Crime and violence in the area selected as a possible site in North St. Louis concerns me.
Many existing workers are not willing to drive to North St. Louis due to the crime and violence levels. I'd recommend picking a site where most people are driving against traffic. Scott would be easy access to I-64 via the new interstate exits being constructed, and would be against traffic on the Poplar and/or JB.
The establishment of an NGA facility in St. Clair County would be advantageous for many parties in the area. The Association would benefit from the safety of the communities of Southwestern Illinois as well as the proximity it would have to both St. Louis and Scott AFB. Students in the area, such as myself, would benefit from research, integration, and service opportunities provided by the Association. Through cooperation between area students and departments in the Association, we can foster a strong community relationship and develop capable future leaders in the fields of intelligence, reconnaissance, and aerospace with ties to the NGA. As a citizen of O'Fallon and a son of an NGA employee, I appreciate and understand all the work you guys do to keep our troops, both home and abroad, safe and fully-functional. I plan to stop by the meeting on Wednesday to further explore this great opportunity for our county. Sincerely, Nico Turk 618-520-0163 Turk.nico5@gmail.com

The North St. Louis area is an area I think would be great considering we were practically down the street on Jefferson were the North St. Louis area is located. We moved the employees from 8900 S. Broadway after our other facility in the flood of 2003. NGA actually moved in a building right off of Jefferson for years. We didn't seem to have a problem at all. It was centrally located. Actually it was nice.
A great use of the former Chrysler property.
I sincerely hope that NGA will consider using the a portion of the North St. Louis site with a more urban approach. Instead of sprawling across 136 acres, why not build up, maintain the city street grid, and save the surrounding land for residential and commercial development that will inevitable follow NGA's job creation? Thanks for your time.
I think the Fenton site is optimal, being centrally located. Easily accessed from downtown St. Louis and Lambert Field.
This proposed site is an amazing location. The surrounding area is an amazing community and full of great people. I think NGA employees would love this location.
Can the site plan be tweaked so it doesn't take up so much land? More land would be available to develop into an up and coming neighborhood.
Mehlville offers all the attractive amenities outlined in the site goals and is a proven office location. The proximity to Arnold is highly desirable for sensitive connections while providing excellent BCP conditions.
I am concerned about the city's tax base. This will take a lot of land which won't pay property taxes and has few jobs per acre. The city can't add any more land area so it must get the most of what it has. This is just too low a density to pay for the infrastructure and services we'd like in the city. Can it fit on just the Pruitt-Igoe site? Will employees be encouraged to reside in the neighborhoods near the new site? I'm concerned about the possibility of closing all those streets and demolishing the remaining buildings in the area. Will they be? More details would be a big help, like e site plan/
This site would be an uncomplicated construction project, near a major military base and practically at the on/off ramp of a major interstate highway. I recommend that the St. Clair site receive a solid nod of approval if it makes the short list. This site will have convenient access to/from Interstate 64, it will increase employee personal safety from criminal elements in transit to and from work, there will be ample space for on-site parking, it will eliminate the current onerous 1% Saint Louis City tax burden currently levied upon employees (instant 1% pay raise for all), and this non-city location will make for an uncomplicated and smooth construction effort. There is no question that this is a logical and practical choice for the next NGA site. Important caveat to my comments: My opinion is unbiased and pragmatic. Please note that I will be long retired and living in another part of the country before this construction project ever begins; I have no personal interest in this or any site. Please accept my thoughts as objective.
Scott AFB IL, would be a great choice, most customers we deal with are military. Mascoutah has a airport that could be used very easily. great access off of HWY64. NGA in IL would bring lots of money to the area and would keep the base off the closing list. Another plus is to not have the 1% STL city tax taken out each paycheck.
I favor the North Saint Louis option as it is the closest distance to the workforce's current commute. Employees have already taken distance into consideration when buying their home and selecting schools for their kids. Changing this commute drastically would have a serious negative impact on the workforce. Also, NGA has a relationship with the city of Saint Louis and I think we should continue that relationship by staying in downtown Saint Louis.
Doesn't the Meramec River pose a potential threat similar to the one the Mississippi River poses to 2nd Street? Also, the rail system around the former plant, although I'm assuming that would be removed.

Not only is Fenton a good location for your site, it is also a wonderful place to live. There are no city property taxes, the city pays for garbage and leaf pickup, and financially the city is in the black. We have many shopping locations, a theater, a library and many parks. Our RiverChase community center offers an indoor and outdoor pool, exercise facilities, a basketball court, a running track, and classes for children, adults and seniors. A farmers market brings fresh produce to our citizens on summer weekends. Our Heros Memorial in Fenton City Park was one of a few locations chosen to receive a piece of a garden from the Twin Towers. We proudly display it at the front of our memorial.
I am a concerned citizen and taxpayer
Most of the businesses, organizations, employment opportunities, etc. are limited within North St. Louis for centuries. I am available for consultation, etc. Contact me at 314-226-0699 or d.l.marshall335@att.net
The overwhelming local support. Thank you for your efforts.
I think that this is an excellent opportunity to invigorate an important community of St. Louis City and to benefit the existing community.
-Will this site increase the risk of terrorist activity? -How will you go about cleaning up the old Pruitt-Igoe site's contamination? (North STL city site) -What will happen to the displaced residents? Will they be provided appropriate AFFORDABLE house? -Will there be any partnerships with Gateway since Gateway is a STEM school? (e.g. internships, workshops, other learning opportunities) -Is there a plan to generate new jobs in the future? (I see the answer is no for the NGA but what about grocery stores, restaurants) -How is STL City development involved?
NGA new campus will bring new jobs on construction as well completion and roof tops meaning homeowners meaning taxpayers, and more mom and pop businesses. This will bring back a thriving community.
Hoping the federal government will assist with repurposing the existing site and facility for a suitable purpose
To be compensated fully in the price to sell. Money to relocate, moving expenses and money to find another house to house the men.
I would like to be given a fair share of money to move the men and to pay the tax liens off the building and have money in my pocket. Change need to come about-- I am interested in selling my building.
I was not informed of the beginning of this process in November 2014
Keeping NGA in St. Louis City will continue to help rebuild downtown and the central corridor. North city is long ignored, and having a major organization located there will continue to help make St. Louis City one of the greatest cities again. Those who are employed in the city help support our free attractions with the 1% tax. It is also centrally located for visitors and employees coming from all directions. Please, please don't move NGA to Saint Louis County! We don't need more sprawl.
Ditto above. SAFB makes the most sense. Land is already owned by the government, security is already in place, access from I-64 is there, as well as public transportation. It is also easy access for most of those in MO as they will be traveling against the traffic during rush hour or can hop on Metro.
The Illinois site is best suited for this project. It is already under public ownership and does not require excessive costs for demolition and environmental remediation. All of the other sites located in Missouri are privately owned. I am concerned that politics may dictate the purchase of those privately owned sites at higher than market rates. All the privately owned Missouri sites will also require demolition and environmental remediation creating an unnecessary additional cost to the project and expenditure of public funds. Please do the right thing.

<p>This is the only site that involves evicting people from their homes, displacing children from schools, breaking up families and communities. The lives in this community matter and a government facility should not displace communities, especially when other options are available. Families in North St Louis already face so many issues, it would not be right for the US Government to add to those issues and displace so many livelihoods. Likewise, the people from the possible location visiting the public forum indicated that the site had environmental contamination, which the government should not expose its employees to.</p>
<p>The proposed site near Scott AFB does not decrease NGA's need for security, since we would not be co-located on the base. This overrides the only benefit of this location. In addition, the workforce commute affect would be the most negative. The current NGA workforce livin in an opposing state from the facility chose to do so, even with the bottleneck that is the crossing of the Mississippi River. Moving NGA to IL would put an unexpected and unnecessary hardship on the current workforce who chose to live in the same state and in proximity to the current facility.</p>
<p>The site that I described in the field above is convenient to many major highways (70, 270 and 170), Boeing, ESRI, Lambert Airport, many restaurants and other conveniences. It is not a well-known area, and since the property was taken through eminent domain, it would not be considered by any commercial real estate agents. It is a very safe area with a low crime rate and an excellent community atmosphere. It is 21 miles from the current NGA facility. I don't believe this area was considered in the original list of sites. Please extend your site study to include the Carrollton subdivision in Bridgeton.</p>
<p>Scott is too far away for those of us that live in west St. Louis county, and the old Pruitt Igoe site is a dump. Why would NGA move there considering all of the crime taking place in the city of St. Louis? Just so the city can continue to take that 1% tax from NGA employees? Shameful.</p>
<p>The desires of existing residents should be fully respected. We have invested our lives and resources in this neighborhood for decades when no one, including the city, would. An additional concern is that Northside Regeneration should receive no further benefit from public funds. The project has already received significant public funding while being only a negative presence in the area. It will break my heart if our neighbors and neighborhood are dismantled by this project.</p>
<p>This is not a good ideal. this is a bad spot for your agency.</p>
<p>PERFECT LOCATION! I've been to the new Springfield,VA location and it really reminds me of that location. Off the beaten path a little, small community and that site is huge. Not to mention it will bring some money to the much needed Mehlville area.</p>
<p>Yes for North St. Louis! Let's repopulate business and government agencies back into the city and stop abandoning not obviously attractive areas what will makes the situation worth. Claim back our city for public interest as this agency is by definition created as a government agency serving its citizens. Central location and proximity to airport, highways, waterways.</p>
<p>The Fenton site would be very beneficial to the West St. Louis school systems that the Chrysler plant vacated. The tax revenue from the employees would greatly help the school systems.</p>

ovl favor relocating NGA to the North Saint Louis City location. Maybe the best reason of all for my favoring this site is that it is nearly close enough for me to walk to from my home -- even closer than I currently travel to NGA daily now. I believe NGA relocating nearer my home would increase my property values. Okay, that's the selfish reasons. This location favors public transportation; offers beneficial real estate options for employees desiring to move here; is close to the Grand, Central West End, and Downtown cultural and activity establishments; NGA will preserve the history of the site and remove a huge city eyesore that currently exists in this neighborhood that needs a lot of economic help; it is just north of the FBI and DEA (IC) facilities, thus at some point in the future, there may be some IC benefit in these facilities being co-located or providing transportation between the sites; This site would be centrally located between many other federal sites in Saint Louis. This site is more centrally located to some of our current contractor partners (Boeing, ESRI, Leidos, etc.) where some employees sometimes benefit from cross-facility visits and training. The North City Site would allow employees to gain benefit from University study as a number of schools are nearer that site than other sites. This could foster the opportunity for NGA to provide industry training in local Universities while employees are still near work. Parks College of Engineering (a college from Saint Louis University) and Technology already benefits NGA with many employees graduating from here. NGA could benefit this kind of cross-collaboration by providing industry specific training classes not available on site at NGA (Aeronautical, primarily). (Parks address is 3450 Lindell Boulevard -- nearly within walking distance of the proposed North City site.) Other NGA specialties can foster university relationships to develop NGA's technology training needs. As an employee that does not own a car, and uses public transportation daily (for the last four years), I have a concern that a facility outside of regular public transportation routes or limited hours public transportation routes would cause undue expenses where I'd be forced to find another means of getting to work, adding to already crowded parking situations if those of us that use public transportation had to use a car to get to work as our only reasonable choice. The site NGA selects should facilitate a broad selection of near 24X7 public transportation access options, bus, train, TROLLY, car pool, walking, biking, etc. In my mind, that means probably only Saint Louis City or building routine public transportation access to Metro stations would be the only solution to keep public transportation viable. I have concerns that using existing buildings does not give NGA the flexibility it needs to design something that works for our unique working situation. Existing buildings may not allow certain classified working areas to be sufficiently delineated from lesser classified work areas, causing overcrowding in some areas. I would like to see NGA's new facility have relatively easy access from gate to desk. At this time, I walk an equivalent of about two blocks to get to the building once I'm at work. While that's great exercise, in the heat / or excessive cold or weather, that's not exactly exciting. I am concerned that real estate in the immediate vicinity either will not provide employees with an option to buy a home near work, or doesn't offer zoning that allows for easy purchase of a home nearby, as lands are potentially flood zones near rivers or in the case of Scott AFB area, immediately next to an airport that is not easily accessible for visitors or persons who live in the area, so it's more of a specialty in that it's near an NGA customer and benefits them, but doesn't really benefit the surrounding homes, families, or other fun things in life. Locating to near Scott AFB would ensure a steady stream of employees moving between the two facilities instead of serving a wider audience of federal, city, state agencies that being centrally located in Saint Louis would provide. In my work experience I've discovered the reason airports are placed in FLAT areas is that these areas at some time are flood zones as the lowest, flatlands in the area. The flood deposits made the land very flat, which is good for locating airports here because not much needs to be done to flatten the land out, but one should investigate how often these flat lands are flooded, and opt not to put NGA directly on or next to such sites, as NGA has experienced flooding in the past and we should learn from our past mistakes. If one believes in global warming, the number one warning is the loss of useable lands due to flooding is the expected result. NGA should weight potential for flooding at a site at a higher level than some other factors. Flooding should be considered as well for where employees might relocate to live near work, and park at work, and road flooding that might occur for employees attempting to travel to/from work. I notice there are creeks that run directly through the middle of the proposed Scott AFB facility. When are those creeks flooding? I noticed the creeks directly connected to, and north of this

<p>creek flooded significantly just a couple of years ago. It would be a huge mistake to park NGA right on top of a potential flood zone. The other two facilities are also located right next to rivers. Rivers flood. I find that from I-64 to Natural Bridge Road, Jefferson Street, which borders the west side of the Saint Louis City potential land site, is at least 6 lanes wide now and offers easy access to the potential NGA site in Saint Louis City. A bigger problem might be the roads that extend to I-70 or those who need to access NGA from the east may continue to have rush hour traffic problems. See this TROLLY proposal, which is expected to provide transportation very near NGAs proposed North City location running east-west along Olive Street and North-South in the vicinity of Grand and up 14th -- the proposed North City Site is located right in the middle of these proposed paths, thus this would be another means of public transportation that should be considered for this site. http://blogs.riverfronttimes.com/dailyrft/2014/01/st_louis_streetcar_proposed_tr.php In summary, excepting the 1% income tax that is required for working in Saint Louis City, from what I can see, in terms of geography, geology, infrastructure already in place, historical preservation, opportunity to increase diversity of employees, nearness to upper level education facilities, low real estate prices, historical building structures nearby, nearness to our current contractors, IC partners, and public intrastate facilities, there isn't a better location to consider.</p>
<p>Wonderful if NGA West comes to St. Clair County!</p>
<p>The best location for the new NCW is in IL by the base. No crime.</p>
<p>After reading of all the proposed sites, I feel like the most beneficial would be Scott Air Force Base location. The land is ready for development, and it will be a great location to continue its relationship with the Air Force.</p>
<p>We own the single family residence located at 2530 North Market. This home was built in 1894 and has been in our family since 1947. Although not listed on the National Register of Historic Homes, we believe it is among those noteworthy in St. Louis. It has beautiful and exquisite original finished woodwork and fireplaces, among other things. It is currently occupied by a member of our family. The thought of it being replaced by a parking garage or any of the other proposed buildings is devastating. Thank you for your consideration.</p>
<p>Please consider using the North St. Louis City site as the future home of the NGA as it would provide a much needed shot in the arm of the North City community and economy. Thanks!</p>
<p>I am a long time resident in the proposed area. I would lose my homestead if this site is approved. I have NO DESIRE to sell or relocate therefore, I am against this proposed site.</p>
<p>The selection of The North Stl. Site is not only important for retaining one of the most important govt agency in STI but would serve as a catalyst for rebuilding North city .</p>
<p>I am very familiar with all 4 sites being considered. Having worked in real estate in both Missouri and Illinois, I can say without a doubt that the St. Clair County site is the best option. From a security, ease of transportation and constructability standpoint it is by far the best location.</p>

Oh, one other thing, they asked about how I heard about this. And I heard about it from a girlfriend. She saw it on the news. I didn't get a mailing. And they explained in the mailing, I guess by regulation, they only do a mailing because of cost and things so far from the planned sites, and I don't know how far that is, if it's a mile or two miles, but I think something that you have to consider when you're working in North St. Louis, so much of it is vacant, that within a mile radius of the projected site, there may be not be or probably are not that many people who live there. My neighborhood, the census tracked my neighborhood, I've created a database on it, and close to 40 percent of 1500 parcels is vacant property, so you don't have a the lot of people who live there. So I think maybe to consider going out -- I know it was in the Federal Register and things, and I'm going to do what I can to publicize it in my neighborhood, with the website and email addresses, and additional information, because I think you also have to be cognizant of the racial factor. North St. Louis is predominantly African American. I just think you need to be careful that nobody gets the impression or thinks that things are being done in secret. Not that they would be, but just that if people get that impression, that they're not being kept informed. When Paul McKey was doing things in where he wasn't open to a lot of people that know what he was doing for a number of years, and when it finally came out, there were a lot of negative things, and people were concerned about imminent domain. So there's just I think a lot of fear that you have because of what people have lived through in North St. Louis, that you really need to take that into consideration -- that needs to be taken into consideration as you move forward with and additional decisions are made and information is gathered, and decisions -- and information is put out, because a lot of people don't have access to the internet in their homes, they don't have computers at home. So they're going to tend more to get things maybe through their churches or neighborhood organizations, or the public library, so I would make an effort to reach out to the libraries in the neighborhoods because a lot of people use the libraries. It's just going to be -- you have to deal, I think, notifying people and keeping people informed differently on the North Side for the City location than maybe some of the other locations. And I think it's going to be critical because people get an impression or a thought that there's going to be wholesale displacement or people are not being considered or their thoughts or concerns are not being considered. Could be problematic.

I'm concerned about the increase of traffic on that road. So I don't know if they could make it one-way. I don't know what they could do to make it better, but we're not ready for another 3,000 cars running through there. That's it.

We would be fully supportive of this facility being located in the proposed North St. Louis location. The area could surely benefit from an influx of jobs and the positive influence that a large project like this would have in transforming vacant city blocks in productive, useful enterprise.